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Service votes arrive as EEC campaign winds up

As both factions in the EEC referendum campaign were making their final speeches yesterday the first votes were being checked by the Ministry of Defence. They had been cast yesterday and on Tuesday by Servicemen and their families in Europe and the Far East respectively. Troops in Ulster were also given the opportunity to vote yesterday at special polling stations set up in their barracks and temporary billets (details, page 5).

Mr Jones wants no victimization after poll

By Roger Berthoud

With pleas for no post-referendum victimization by the Government from Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and for a decisively high turn-out tomorrow from Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary, the supporters and opponents of EEC membership yesterday played and sounded their last trumps in London.

Mr Jones was *part of a remarkable* anti-EEC Noah's Ark produced by the National Referendum Campaign for its final press conference, including Mr Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, Mr Enoch Powell, and Mr Ronald Bell, Conservative MP for Beaconsfield.

Mr Jones began by listing £400m extra costs to the road haulage industry resulting from recent EEC regulations. From yesterday's post he produced examples of redundancies which he attributed to the implementation of EEC policies: 127 Tate and Lyle workers affected by changes from raw cane to EEC sugar beet; 1,500 Pilkington workers made redundant because Ford and British Leyland were buying windscreen glass from Belgium and Italy; 125 Smithfield porters dismissed because cheap Australian and New Zealand be*f* was being kept from United Kingdom markets.

Notwithstanding all that, Mr Jones indicated that, having accepted the referendum, he would accept the opinion of the people. He hoped the Government, having rightly allowed a free for all, would do so too and that there would be "no victimization and no discrimination". That sounded rather like a warning to Mr Wilson not to reshuffle or dismiss anti-EEC ministers in the event of a "Yes" verdict. But since Mr Jones confidently predicted a "No" majority, perhaps he was *anxious that Mr Jenkins should* not be victimized in that event.

Mr Foot said the EEC issue *had cut across party lines more* than any other in his lifetime. There had been a perfectly sensible agreement to differ within the Government. It did not mean that the day after the referendum the Government should be destroyed. He was interested in the arguments, not the consequences.

Mr Foot's main argument was that if responsibility for the great decisions on taxation, food prices, trade treaties, and economic and monetary union were transferred to Brussels the British people would no longer be able to throw out in a general election those who had taken the wrong decisions.

For Mr Shore the central issue was whether Britain should continue to be an independent country or was condemned to fall in with an "unwanted conglomerate" in Europe. The British people had been "gulled and lulled" into accepting Mr Heath's *Diktat*. Now that the harsh realities were evident, the effort was being made to frighten them out of their birthright.

Mr Powell, Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South, said the Government's official pamphlet stated that Britain's continued membership would be dependent on the continuing assent of Parliament. Future Parliaments would therefore be able to come back to the question. Mr Bell said that Britain's continued existence as an independent nation was at stake. Conservatives could not be party yes-men on the issue.

In a surprise appearance, Mr *Arne Haugestad, the lawyer who* led the victorious Norwegian anti-membership camp in the *1972 referendum, said that* Norwegian supporters of the EEC—the bulk of the establish*ment—had issued all the same* warnings as in Britain, and all had turned out to be false.

The final salvo from Britain in Europe was fired by the well tried team of Mr Jenkins, Mr Heath and Mr Thorpe ("the Europals", as someone has dubbed them).

The "No-men", Mr Jenkins believed, had mostly given up any real hope of victory. He added:

*What they hope for is a low turn-*out and a relatively narrow margin on the basis of which they can continue the struggle, prolong the uncertainty and try to prevent Britain from playing an effective, constructive and influential role *within the Community. Let us vote* decisively to settle the issue overwhelmingly and to free us from the continued debilitation of being hesitant and reluctant partners.

The EEC opponents denied the charge of wanting a low poll.

The basic issue, Mr Jenkins said (it was a day of many basic issues) was that Britain could only be prosperous and influential in cooperation and not in isolation, and that there were no other available and acceptable partners who wanted us to come in and join them.

"If by chance the vote were to go the wrong", he added, "Britain would get up next Monday morning in a state of economic confusion and danger."

Piling on the agony, Mr Heath said that as a nation we were *living on the edge of very* great economic danger.

If there is a "No" vote on Thursday, then there is no doubt that a whole new dimension would have been added to our present danger. There will be a massive *loss of confidence in our future* at home and abroad. We would feel the significance of this within a matter of days.

Mr Thorpe said that a "No" vote would mean months of uncertainty while the economy was *bled white, with yet another* haggle to persuade the world that they must help Britain to *earn a living. The arguments* of the dissenting ministers were based on inaccurate statistics backed with synthetic fury. He called Mrs Castle an inverted female version of Lord Kitchener for her remark in Tuesday night's Oxford Union debate: "If the vote goes 'Yes' my country will need me".

All three agreed that European idealism still burnt brightly in the young, whose response at meetings they found remarkable. It was not the bread-and-butter issues but the wider, longer term ones that had gripped the hearts and minds of audiences. Mr Jenkins said. He assessed the audiences as larger and more enthusiastic than at the last two elections, and confessed that he had enjoyed the campaign.

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Strange alliances about to dissolve: Mrs Castle and Mr Powell, and Mr Jenkins and Mr Heath, at the final press conferences yesterday on the opposing sides in the EEC referendum campaign.

British Rail holds peace talks with NUR

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

Peace talks between the British Railways Board and the National Union of Railwaymen aimed at averting the threatened rail strike on June 23 took place in London last night.

Mr Herbert Farrimond, the railways board member for industrial relations, and Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the NUR, discussed the union's demand for pay rises *of up to 35 per cent on a par* with other settlements in the public sector.

The *talks were held in British* Rail's Great Western Hotel, Paddington, after a day in which the NUR *drummed up support* for its threatened stoppage.

Mr Weighell met Mr Joseph *Gormley*, the mineworkers' leader, and Mr Tom Jackson, the postal workers' leader. He also spoke to an official of the electricians' union. The NUR wishes to enlist the support of unions whose members have direct contact with the railways to ensure that the proposed strike is not weakened by alternative transport for key goods.

Mr Weighell also saw Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, for an hour to inform him about the strike plans, but the meeting was at his request and *it is not expected that the TUC* will intervene.

The NUR's isolation in *rejecting an arbitration award* of 27.5 per cent was emphasized by the footplatemen's decision *yesterday unanimously to en*dorse acceptance of the proposed pay deal. Delegates to *the annual conference of the* Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, who represent nearly all footplatemen, unanimously backed their executive's acceptance of the Railway Staff National Tribunal award.

Holidays threatened: British Rail said last night that if the strike goes ahead it will not be possible to provide coach services for Golden Rail holiday travellers (the Press Association reports).

Gas talks adjourned: Pay talks for nearly 59,00 white-collar workers in the gas industry were adjourned last night after their union had rejected a 21.7 per cent offer.

The National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) and the other unions involved replied with a demand for 35 per cent across the board after the Nalgo negotiators have reported to the union's annual conference next Monday.

The union said: "There are *no plans for industrial action at* present, and Nalgo hopes to reach a satisfactory settlement through negotiations. However, the possibility of industrial action cannot be ruled out if the employers prove obdurate."

The offer, which included part of the current threshold payments, did not protect the gas staff from the erosion of their pay by the cost of living and in relation to other groups.

"New money would amount to only 12 per cent for the lower-paid and 19 per cent for the highest-paid." The 35 per cent claim would amount to only 24 per cent after deductions, "and this figure is what the unions feel would compensate for price increases by July, 1975".

Saudi Arabian plan to give Britain part of £62,000m sales spree

By David Blake

Saudi Arabia is likely to pro*pose closer* links with Britain in an effort to improve the poor selling record of British *companies*, Shaikh Hisham Nazar, the Saudi Minister of Planning, said yesterday.

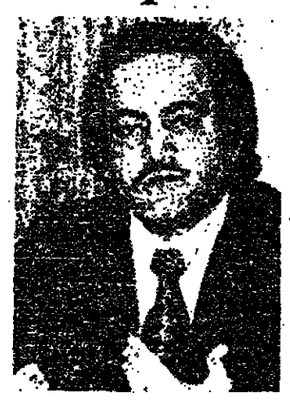
He was *speaking after a press* conference in London at which he announced details of the *country's new five-year plan*, which calls for expenditure of $142,000m (£62,000m) between now and 1980.

At meetings next month with the Department of Trade and other organizations, the Shaikh is likely to suggest that Britain should consider introducing an insurance scheme to guarantee British companies against the risk of losses incurred on large contracts in Saudi Arabia. This would go considerably further than the present export credit guarantee scheme, which was *originated to cover the chance* of default on payment by an overseas customer. The scheme would be similar to one operated by the United States Government for American companies.

Shaikh Nazar said that British companies had failed to be aggressive enough in seeking orders from Saudi Arabia. Frequent visits to the country, efforts to find out about market conditions, and a willingness to take risks in bidding for contracts were all *needed. Companies from other countries* such as Japan, where the Government is also actively involved, were prepared to do this. British companies, with a few honourable exceptions, were not, which was why it might be necessary to reassure them, he said.

Another failing of British firms seeking orders was their tendency to keep changing the terms and details of their bid, rather than putting in one clearly thought-out proposal to which they would stick.

Earlier the Shaikh emphasized Saudi Arabia's willingness to seek foreign participation in *its five-year development* scheme. His Government was near to concluding agreements *with a number of Western* companies, including Mobil, Shell, Gulf, Dow Chemical, Mitsubishi and several West German firms, for the construction of petrochemical plants and refineries.



Shaikh Nazar: "British firms not aggressive enough."

The Saudis envisage building two industrial complexes during their five-year plan, one at Jabail in the east and another at Yanbu on the Red Sea. The plan is aimed at reducing the country's dependence on oil by building up a heavy industrial base including a *steelworks*, iron smelter, cement plant and other more conventional oil *transformation industries*.

Shaikh Nazar said the industrial development scheme would require all of the country's funds, and should end the current large surplus. It had been prepared on the assumption that oil production would rise to seven million barrels a day by the end of the five years, and that oil prices would remain constant in real terms after adjusting for inflation in industrialized countries.

On employment, the plan suggests that an extra 500,000 *foreign workers are expected to* be recruited. There are already 314,000 in the country.

Our Geneva Correspondent writes: The Swiss armaments company Oerlikon-Bührle, said *today that an £84m Saudi* Arabian order for 120 radar-controlled anti-aircraft gun batteries may go to a British subsidiary.

Swiss firms are forbidden by the Government to export arms to areas of tension, including the Middle East. The company's principal British subsidiary is the British Manufacture and Research Company Ltd, of Grantham, Lincolnshire.

Breakaway Dutch priest is unfrocked

From Sue Masterman
The Hague, June 4

Father Winand Kotte, aged 51, a dissident Roman Catholic priest in The Netherlands, has been unfrocked by Cardinal Alfrink after an ecclesiastical court found him unfit to fulfil a pastoral task within the Church.

The court was constituted last August and considered Father Kotte's activities during the past five years. Today Cardinal Alfrink, Archbishop of Utrecht and Dutch Primate, issued a statement forbidding Father Kotte to carry out any further activities as a Roman Catholic priest.

*The cardinal said the deci*sion had been taken because the priest had caused a serious *spiritual crisis in many per*sonal cases. He had suggested that his teachings and activities were authorized by Rome, and had repeatedly ignored his bishop's and archbishop's requests to stop what had become in effect his own breakaway branch of the Church.

The cardinal added that many attempts had been made to discuss the matter with Father Kotte and to reach a compromise, but that no dialogue was possible. In the circumstances the cardinal had *no choice* but to take measures against him.

Father Kotte was allied to the group which supported the "anti-Pope" Clemens V, the defrocked French priest Michel Collin, who died last year. In 1968 he broke his direct link with the group, but continued its practices. He ordained women as priests and founded a cloister without episcopal permission.

In 1971 he announced the formation of the "St Willibrord Foundation", a group named after the bishop who brought Christianity to The Netherlands. The group's aim was to maintain the Roman Catholic Church in the spirit in which it existed before the second Vatican Council.

The cardinal issued an official warning against the group whose activities, he said, were not authorized by the Dutch Episcopate, and later in 1971 ordered an investigation.

In July, 1974, Cardinal Villot, the Vatican Secretary of State, authorized Cardinal Alfrink to continue his investigation and take whatever measures he thought fit. A month later the Dutch Private constituted the twice questioned Father Kotte in the presence of his lawyer. *It is on the court's conclusions* that Cardinal Alfrink has now acted.

Father Kotte, a former Latin and Greek teacher and member of the Congregation of Assumptionists, has small congregations of followers throughout The Netherlands. They are all against the present modernization of the liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church and have their own catechism. He has said that he intends to go ahead unhindered leading his flock.

One reason for this turmoil within the Dutch Church was the fear of Father Kotte and his supporters that the surge of progressive developments in Holland five years ago would lead to a schism with Rome. But during the last three years the situation has been considerably less turbulent.

Senator says he has proof of CIA murder plots

From Patrick Brogan
Washington, June 4

Senator Frank Church, the chairman of the Senate special committee investigating the *Central Intelligence Agency*, today strongly criticized Vice-President Rockefeller for saying that the CIA was guilty only of minor illegalities.

"I don't regard murder as a minor matter", he said. The Vice-President, who has presided over a Government commission inquiring into the CIA's role in domestic intelligence, said yesterday when the commission completed its work that the agency was guilty of some illegal acts but "they are not major."

Senator Church said that there was sufficient evidence to implicate the agency in assassination plots against foreign heads of state. "In due course, our committee will make the necessary disclosures", he said.

He went on to say that he was concerned that the Rockefeller commission was apparently attempting to lead the public to believe that any errors on the CIA's part were minor, and that it was relatively guiltless.

The Rockefeller report will be issued over the [illegible]. The alleged assassination plots involved, most notably, [illegible] Castro, Prime Minister of Cuba.

Other foreigners whom the CIA may have considered assassinating are said to have included President Trujillo, of the Dominican Republic, and Mr Patrice [illegible], Prime Minister of Congo (now Zaire). Both men were, in fact, murdered.

Mr Maxwell quits paper's council

Mr Robert Maxwell, the publisher, resigned as co-chairman of the workers' co-operative paper, the *Scottish Daily News*, yesterday. He was immediately reelected as a shop-floor representative of the workers' council that runs the paper.

He confirmed disagreements between himself and the council on the newspaper, but said there was no question that he was withdrawing his investment in it.

The disagreements, he said, were over how and when to boost the circulation and advertising content.

Mr Maxwell said he had wanted to go ahead now with a 24-hour paper, *or if possible a* Glasgow evening paper with a separate identity produced from *the former* Beaverbrook premises in Albion Street. But the workers' council wished to postpone any such big steps until the autumn.

Mr Eric Tough, general manager of the project, said later that Mr Maxwell's resignation had been automatic under the constitution of the paper.

At yesterday's shareholders' meeting there had been seven nominations for six places on *the council*, and Mr Maxwell's election meant that another member, Mr James MacNamara, was eliminated.

After the meeting Mr Maxwell said his appointment as co-chairman again would probably be automatic, but Mr Allister Mackie, the other chairman, said: "I understood you had resigned."

Doctors warned about the dangers of hormones in pregnancy-testing

By Our Social Services Correspondent

The Committee on Safety of Medicines yesterday recommended that d[illegible] should stop prescribing hormones for pregnancy tests because of a *possible* link with congenital abnormalities in babies. The possible hazard has emerged in preliminary findings from a wider study the committee is conducting on the relationship between congenital defects and drugs taken during pregnancy.

In a letter to all doctors in Britain, the committee points out that early results suggest that the use of a mixture of oestrogen and progestogen to determine pregnancy may lead to abnormalities in the foetus. Because other means of testing *pregnancy are available, doctors* should not normally use hormones.

The committee has already referred in the *British Medical Journal* to the possible dangers, but further evidence has convinced it that all doctors should be made aware of the preliminary results. Similar action is being taken in several other countries.

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Libya denounces Mr Sadat's Suez 'betrayal'

Tripoli, June 4.—The Libyan Revolutionary Command Council held an emergency meeting today to discuss what was described as President Sadat's re*cognition of the existence of* Israel and his decision to allow Israel vessels to pass through *the Suez Canal*.

Tripoli radio reported that the council was in touch with Arab heads of state *for their opinion* on "this great national betrayal".

[During his visit to Europe earlier this week, President Sadat reaffirmed that he accepted the existence of Israel. Unconfirmed reports today said Egypt would allow Israel ships through the Suez Canal, which is due to reopen tomorrow after eight years' closure.]

Tripoli radio said that the council would send "official and *people's*" delegations to other Arab countries to urge them to continue the struggle for the *liberation* of Palestine and Jerusalem.

The council was determined to fight alongside the Palestinians and other Arab countries which rejected the "betrayal".—Agence France-Presse.

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Pat Eddery rides 5-1 Grundy to a Derby win

Grundy, ridden by Pat Eddery, won the Derby yesterday, watched by a huge crowd despite cloudy weather. Trained by Peter Walwyn and owned by Dr Carlo Vittadini, who won more than £106,000, he took up the running two furlongs out and held off a challenge by Nobiliary, the only filly in the race. The starting price was 5—1.

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Crooks aid police

An apparent increase in the number of big criminals prepared to help the police is referred to by Sir Robert Mark, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, in his annual report published yesterday. He says: "The confident assumption by such criminals that they can be protected from the revenge of their former associates is a most encouraging development".

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Soldiers kill man

British troops near the border town of Newry last night shot a man dead soon after a bomb attack which partly destroyed a public house outside the village of Bessbrook, co Armagh. The incident, one of the few fatal shootings involving troops during the present ceasefire, happened a few miles from where three Protestants were murdered on Tuesday.

Chrysler men end month-old strike

Workers at Chrysler's Coventry engine plant voted overwhelmingly yesterday to end their month-old strike, which had *halted all the company's British production*. The 4,000 men supported a shop stewards' recommendation to resume work *on the evening shift*.

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Flights normal

European and domestic flights by British Airways from Heathrow are expected to be almost normal today, after its engineers had called off their strike.

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'New unity in Nato'

President Ford, back from Europe, yesterday told West Point graduates that he had found a new sense of unity in Nato and a new confidence in the United States; but he implied it was action rather than assurances that counted.

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Assembly divided

Discussions leading towards drafting a democratic constitution for Portugal began in the first working session of the Constituent Assembly. A division between Socialists and Communists dominated the day's business.

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Cars to cost more

British Leyland is expected to lead a new round of car price rises by announcing *increases of about 5 per cent in about 10* days' time. Since April, 1973, British car prices have gone up by some 60 to 70 per cent compared with 30 to 40 per cent for most imports.

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HOME NEWS

University lecturers fear government limit on wage rises

By Tim Devlin,
Education Correspondent

University lecturers expressed fears yesterday that the Government would seek to limit wage increases after today's referendum was over.

They are relieved that the first part of their pay negotiations are over with the settlement, by arbitration as reported yesterday, of a 24 per cent rise, excluding threshold payments, from October, 1974. But there were fears that the second round of negotiations before they receive the latest increases next October may be limited by government policy.

Mr. Laurie Sapper, general secretary of the Association of University Teahers, said it was hoped that most of the difficulties would be overcome by the autumn.

The association has asked its 27,000 members to drop their refusal to release students' examination results. Several associations expressed relief yesterday at the request, and said they had never wanted to show their pay frustration in that way.

Mrs Lisbeth Anne Borden, a lecturer at University College London, said: "It is a fair settlement if you simply forget that we are not going to get it until this October, when we should have got it last October. A lot will depend on the second part of the negotiations. At the moment we are on average £1,000 a year less well off".

Mr Julian Linderer, a lecturer in biochemistry at Sheffield University, said: "I am scared that there will be a prices and pay policy after June 6. So we may not get the further cost-of-living increases, which we had expected to be roughly 20 per cent".

Mr Gerald Harper, a lecturer in economics at University College, Cardiff, thought the Government would limit cost-of-living increases.

Professor David Gosling, Professor of Architecture at Sheffield University, said that even the new rates were not high enough to attract the best architectural graduates into teaching. He knew of a former graduate aged 27 who was earning £4,500 a year working for a new town development corporation. The most a university could offer him was £3,500.

Dr George Turner, a lecturer in mathematics and physics at East Anglia University, said the university lecturers had given in too easily. They should have got real increases for this year instead of a fictional increase for next year, he said.

Much would depend on the second part of the negotiations, but they were tied to a cost-of-living increase. However, it would have been better if they had, like the Houghton increases, involved reconstruction within the profession, he added.

Starting salaries for university lecturers have been increased from £2,118 to £2,778 a year; the average pay for a university teacher (on scale 13) has been increased from £4,914 to £5,226. The average for a professor has been increased from £7,257 to £8,800, as reported in *The Times* yesterday.

The award follows a day of action earlier this month by the university teachers in which several boycotted lecturers and a motion passed at their annual conference to withhold examination results. In a few cases that had been done.

Union chief's action plan to aid economy

From Tim Jones,
Labour Staff, Aberdeen.

Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, Britain's third largest, yesterday laid the foundations for a new approach to the social contract. At its Aberdeen conference, he put forward a plan, which will be closely studied by the TUC, on how Britain could overcome the economic crisis.

Price rises were causing terror in the shops and unemployment was causing fear and restriction in industry. He dismissed claims that wage demands were a main cause of inflation. "The solution lies in actions on prices on jobs, on investments, on productivity, and on economic and industrial planning", he said.

If his plan failed a price freeze of about three months' duration affecting housing, food and transport might have to be introduced.

It was vital, he said, for increased industrial investment to take place within a planning framework. "That planning therefore must be on a consensus basis with the trade unions involved at every level."

Government money for state investment in industry "must be for progressive acquisitions within profitable industry. It must not be used to create a convalescent home for lame ducks."

Mr Basnett argued that the management of the economy should be subject to longer term planning and subject to a consensus discussion.

He added: "As far as investment is concerned, the institution for that already exists. The National Economic Development Committee, a body on which representatives of the TUC sit, should be making decisions on the priorities for investment and should be indulging in a dialogue with the Government on long-term planning needs. To do this, however, the NEDC must cease to exist in its ivory tower."

Implementing a planning approach Mr Basnett said would require changes in attitude and immediate action on short-term difficulties. The Confederation of British Industry would have to forget its initial begging bowl approach to the Government and acknowledge, as it did now, that planning of investment priorities was required.

A wider acceptance of a change in trade union attitudes would also be required: "We are not seeking incorporation seeking influence from the shop floor on the management of the economy and that influence places o us a responsibility to respond in our policies, our actions and our words", he said.

Unions impose boycott on eight Odeco rigs

From Ronald Faux
Aberdeen

An inter-union committee that is attempting to organize offshore oil rig workers said yesterday that a boycott was being imposed on all supplies and services to eight of the Ocean Drilling and Exploration Company (Odeco) drilling rigs in the British, Norwegian and Dutch sectors of the North Sea.

Mr William Reid, secretary of the committee, which represents the Transport and General Workers' Union, the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, the boilermakers' society and the National Union of Seamen, said the boycott would include food for the rigs' crews and supplies of steel and mud essential to drilling. The action had been spread to the five rigs operating outside the British sector through the International Transport Federation, which had agreed to cooperate.

The boycott is the first contentious outcome of the campaign to bring unionism to the American rigs in the North Sea. The inter-union committee, after more than a year of trying, persuaded Odeco to allow representatives on to the Ocean Victory rig on April 19.

Among the workers persuaded to join the union was Mr Norman Gardiner, an assistant crane driver, who was appointed official union shift representative on the Ocean Victory. About a week after that appointment Mr Gardiner was involved in an incident with a crane he was controlling and was demoted to roustabout (general labourer). He protested and came ashore from the rig before his period of duty was completed, which, according to oil rig practice, meant automatic dismissal, Mr Reid said.

The unions say that Odeco has agreed to reinstate Mr Gardiner on any rig except Ocean Victory. The committee is insisting on his reinstatement on that rig and have called the boycott as an impressive flourish of what union strength can achieve.

Mr Reid said yesterday the situation seemed to be deadlocked and no meetings had been arranged between the two sides. "We believe that Mr Gardiner was dismissed because of his union activities and through over-reaction by the rig management", he said. "It is unfortunate this incident occurred so soon after our representatives had visited the rig. I think both sides have been very surprised by the speed at which this situation has developed."

He added that the committee would allow crew changes to take place, but would blockade all supplies to the eight rigs, which might cost £50,000 a day each to operate. "When mud supplies are stopped they will not be able to drill after a few days. Normally each rig is served by an average of eight supply ships each day", he said.

It is the second brush between the committee and Odeco, which, according to Mr Reid, allowed union representatives on board Ocean Victory only after it had been threatened with blockade action. The committee offered to fight on behalf of offshore workers for better conditions where they are needed and to negotiate pay deals on their behalf, but the practice of rigmakers in unions runs against American tradition.

Rape Bill support by Women' Institutes

By Diana Geddes

Six thousand delegates of National Federation of Wom Institutes voted unanimo yesterday to seek changes the law on rape in the figh the Law Lords' ruling month that a man who beli he has a woman's consent is guilty, even though that be is unreasonable.

Meeting in London for diamond jubilee, the federa passed a resolution support Mr Jack Ashley's Sex Offences (Amendment) I under which a man who intercourse with a woman w out her consent and with reasonable belief in her c sent would be guilty of rape.

Proposing the resolutio Miss Florence Goodhall, of Farnham branch said that m women gave their "consen when threatened with rape an armed man. But cons through fear was not conse The Law Lords' ruling was serious infringement of wome rights.

Delegates expressed conc about the unknown number women who were violen attacked by their husban They voted overwhelmingly favour of a resolution call on the Government to take mediate action to provide al native accommodation bastered wives and their c dren "at least in every coun if not every town".

A resolution asking t Government to set up a nation breast-cancer screening serv for all women over 40 also w support. More than 95 per c of the 11,000 women who each year from breast canc could be saved by such a s vice, delegates were told.

Mr Ian Burn, consultant s geon at Charing Cross Hospi London, expressed regret at recent comment by Dr Dav Minister of State for Healt that a national screening serv was not justified. There was unnecessary waste of life cause of delay in diagnosis, Burn said.

Mrs Constance Bell, of Hadlow branch, said the c for such a service had be estimated to be £50m. If Government could affo £1,500m to save British Leyla and could not afford £50m save 11,000 women a year, so thing was wrong with priorities.

Resolutions were pass pledging the federation to w for the equality of men a women; calling on the Gover ment to provide a stable an cultural policy for Britain; a applying the payment of pensi contributions for all those w look after elderly or han capped dependents.

The federation's financ have suffered seriously from inflation and for the first ti since 1963 a deficit was started which for the year end September, 1974, was £19,862

Increased subscripti agreed at last year's meeti have not reached the natio federation, and when they a they will have been eventual by inflation. Fixing the su scription takes two years and treasurer could not hope to b ance books with a two-year la in income while inflati was 25 per cent a year. De gates were told.

Mrs Pat Jacob, the chairma suggested that every institu branch should try to raise £ over the next two years. Th would work out at about 50p member, and would bridge t gap between income and expe diture.

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Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Defence, testing a sword yesterday at the Wilkinson Sword factory at East Acton, London.

Heathrow engineers end their strike

By Raymond Perman
Labour Staff

British Airways European and domestic flights should be almost back to normal from Heathrow airport, London, today now that 740 engineering and maintenance workers have decided to call off their strike.

Yesterday they accepted a reworded formula providing for flexible working arrangements to allow crews to be switched between different types of aircraft. They returned to work last night to begin preparing airliners for service. Talks on cash payments for handling the TriStar, which started the dispute, may start today.

Mr Mark Young, chairman of the national joint council for civil air transport, said after the meeting that he thought the airline would be able to restore nine-tenths of its normal flights this morning and return to normal schedules by tomorrow.

Mr Henry Marking, the airline's managing director, said: "The agreement can represent an important breakthrough towards greater efficiency and productivity in British Airways to the benefit of both the airline and its engineering staff, provided it is crystal clear to all concerned that more flexible working arrangements can be paid for only out of the financial savings to the airline that they produce.

"That means they have to get the work done by fewer people, so there is money to be shared out. It does not mean redundancy for the staff saved. The numbers will be allowed to run down by natural wastage or encouraged to do so by redeployment."

The strike started last Wednesday and the airline suspended its European and domestic flights from Heathrow on Monday. Long-haul overseas flights and those from regional airports were not affected.

Court move tomorrow over AUEW postal ballots

By Our Labour Staff

An attempt will be made in the High Court tomorrow to prevent the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers from dropping the postal ballot system in favour of branch elections for its full-time officials.

At the same time solicitors acting for Mr John Weakley, whose disqualification as a South Wales delegate to the union's rules revision conference, which opens on June 16, will be the subject of controversy, will seek to prevent the AUEW from holding its annual conference in Hastings on June 16 unless he is accepted as a fully accredited delegate.

The writ was served on the union at its headquarters in Peckham, south London, yesterday, and there will probably be an emergency meeting of the executive today to consider future action. In contrast to its attitude to the Industrial Relations Act, the AUEW is likely to oppose the granting of the injunctions in court.

At a preliminary hearing yesterday, Mr Peter Pain, QC, for Mr Weakley, told Mr Justice Walton that his client had been disqualified from the rules conference and was now being told that he would not be summoned to the annual conference. It was urgent to get the matter before the court as soon as possible.

The judge granted leave for an interim application to be made tomorrow pending a full hearing of the case against the union.

The AUEW is the only big union to make extensive use of postal ballots to elect its full-time officials. Although they admit that the system has greatly increased participation, left-wingers oppose it, maintaining that it is expensive, difficult to administer and cuts members off from the branch, which is the basis of the policy-making process.

An attempt by the left to revert to the old method of secret balloting at branch meetings was defeated by 27 votes to 25 at the rules conference in April, but the disqualification of Mr Weakley and his fellow delegate left a tied situation. Using his casting vote, Mr Hugh Scanlon, the president, voted to return to the traditional method.

The full writ issued on behalf of Mr Weakley seeks a declaration that he is entitled to attend any recalled meeting of the rules revision committee, the policy-making national committee of the union's engineering section, or any meeting to which the national committee would be summoned.

Injunctions also seek to restrain the union from holding its national conference unless he is present and from holding elections other than by postal ballot until an amendment or deletion is made by a properly constituted meeting of the rules revision committee.

Continuous assessment 'as good as set exams'

A report on behalf of the Schools Council has found no evidence of any significant difference between standards for candidates awarded Certificate of Secondary Education grades by continuous assessment and those for candidates in conventional examinations.

The report, which is published today, studied the methods used by the West Yorkshire and Lindsey Regional Examining Board.

It illustrates many practical difficulties. Teachers and examination moderators emphasize the need to train teachers in assessment techniques. Continuous assessment is still a relatively uncommon method of public examination.

One of the most complex issues, the report says, is parity in grades. There is concern at the difficulty in maintaining acceptable standards throughout continuous assessment and at individual teachers' ability to gauge national standards and keep to them consistently.

Teachers who support continuous assessment value the extra motivation it gives pupils.

Schools Council Examination Bulletin 31, Continuous Assessment in the CSE; Opinion and Practice. (Evans/Methuen Educational, £2.25.)

Convention members complain of 'snub'

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

Criticism is growing in Northern Ireland over the British Government's attitude to the 78 members of the constitutional Convention. Mr John Laird, official Unionist spokesman and a leading figure in the "loyalist" coalition, yesterday accused Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, of attempting to undermine the credibility of members by refusing to allow them to make representations to government ministers on behalf of their constituents.

"Mr Rees has broken a serious undertaking which he gave us before the election that Convention members would be treated the same as Assembly members", he said. "I accuse Mr Rees of deliberately seeking to frustrate public representatives and to discredit them in the eyes of those they represent."

Mr Oliver Napier, leader of the moderate Alliance Party, another prominent Convention member, has complained angrily about the same issue, members from other political parties are likely to unite in an attempt to force the Government's hand.

The Government has emphasized that the Convention is a different body from either an assembly or a parliament. For that reason a private ruling has been made that only those few Convention members who also belong to either the House of Commons or the House of Lords can have direct access on constituency matters to Mr Rees or other ministers.

Meanwhile detectives of the Royal Ulster Constabulary and the Irish police are cooperating to find the gunmen who killed three Protestants in a border ambush early on Tuesday.

Publicans and hotel keepers on the lengthy route between Cork and Newry were questioned in efforts to trace the attacked men's movements. The motive for the killings has not been established. The Newry Provisional IRA has denied that any of its members were involved.

COUNTRY LIFE



Collectors' Number

Antiques at Grosvenor House
Tim Clifford writes about the exhibits at this year's Antique Dealers' Fair at Grosvenor House.

The Art of the Limoges Enameller
Roger Pinkham discusses the art of enamelling, which flourished at Limoges in the middle ages and the Renaissance.

Luxurious Support
Therle Hughes gives the history of embroidered cushions, from Elizabethan examples to Art Nouveau.

Taken from the Marble
John Kenworthy-Browne describes plaster portrait busts, copied from marble originals by Joseph Nollekens.

Ordered from Berkeley Square
Helena Hayward looks at the furniture at Inveraray Castle designed by John Linnell in the late 18th century for the 5th Duke of Argyll.

On sale now 40p

Judge imposes 10 pm curfew on 10 people

A 10 pm daily curfew was imposed by Judge Chapman at Wakefield Crown Court yesterday on 10 people aged between 18 and 25. They were also banned from public houses and off-licences in their home town of Morley, near Leeds, until their trial next month.

The 10, including two girls, pleaded not guilty to a variety of charges, including causing an affray, using threatening words and behaviour, and assault on police. The case was adjourned until a date to be fixed in July.

Sir Clive Bossom, RAC chairman

Sir Clive Bossom, former MP for Leominster and parliamentary private secretary to Mrs Thatcher in her early days as a minister, is the new chairman of the Royal Automobile Club. He succeeds Mr Andrew Polson.

Sir Clive was elected, at a meeting of the club in London, yesterday. He said he wanted to channel the RAC's efforts into a three-point plan for easier, cheaper and safer motoring.

Party executive defied on Stonehouse deadline

By Stewart Tendler

Mr John Stonehouse's constituency Labour Party at Walsall, North, has rejected a request from the party's national executive to postpone meetings next week on the runaway MP's future, to give him more time to get back from Australia.

Members of the national executive will now have to meet early next week to decide whether to force the local party to extend its time limit or accept that Mr Stonehouse has kept his constituency waiting too long for explanations.

The local party's general management committee met on Tuesday night to draw up a short list of six names for the candidate in the next general election. Mr Walter Brown, Labour's assistant national agent, also attended, to remind the party that under rules of procedure they should give their MP the chance to attend meetings discussing his future.

But the local party, divided on the issue, decided to press ahead with a meeting of its executive on June 11 and the general management committee on June 13.

Next Monday, the national executive's organization committee, with national officers, will have to decide on their next move. In April they were told they must stick to the rules of procedure.

Yesterday, Mr Reginald Underhill, Labour's national agent, said: "The party has behaved so well. They are now impatient and cannot hold back any longer."

Mr David Church, of Walsall district council, proposed at the meeting to continue the planned meetings. Yesterday he said:

"The reason he can not come back is simply his own fault. He is trying to fight extradition. Apparently he can not come back, but that is hardly our concern."

He said that if the national executive tried to force a postponement, he would want to press ahead.

In London, Mrs Barbara Stonehouse, who is striving to get the various deadlines postponed, was told yesterday that the Commons select committee that examined her husband's position could not halt the Commons debate on June 12.

She had written to Mr George Strauss, MP, chairman of the committee.

Guernsey law cuts outsiders' rights

From Our Correspondent
St Peter Port

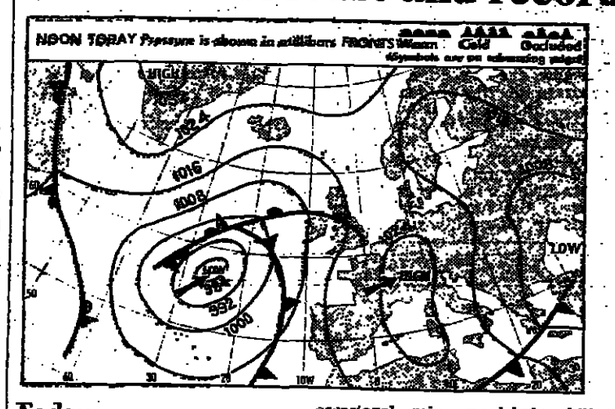
Guernsey's Parliament yesterday passed the draft of a new law to restrict further the rights of "non-islanders" to settle.

From January, if the law receives the Queen's sanction, only those born on the island or who have lived most of their lives there will be able to occupy homes without a licence. It will also be less attractive for islanders to sell large homes at high prices to outsiders. But a section aimed at limiting the amount of land that non-residents may own was withdrawn for amendment. The law, which will remain in force until at least 1990, aims at reducing immigration and the island's population growth to a maximum of 7 per cent in the next decade.

The proposals also mean that Guernsey's 1,400 licensed "essential workers", mostly immigrants from Britain, with an estimated 3,000 dependants, will still need written consent before changing jobs or homes, no matter how long they have lived in Guernsey.

At present Guernsey is estimated to contain 52,000 people in its 25 square miles.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 4.47 am Sun sets: 9.12 pm
Moon rises: 2.17 am Moon sets: 4.39 pm

New moon: June 9.

Lighting up: 9.42 pm to 4.16 am.

High water: London Bridge, 11.19 am, 6.1m (19.8ft); 11.38 pm, 5.9m (19.5ft). Avonmouth, 4.11 am, 10.3m (33.7ft); 4.42 pm, 10.5m (34.6ft). Dover, 9.41 am, 5.4m (17.6ft); 9.2 pm, 5.5m (18.1ft). Hull, 3.27 am, 5.8m (18.9ft); 3.33 pm, 6.0m (19.6ft). Liverpool, 8.39 am, 7.6m (24.9ft); 9.14 pm, 7.7m (25.1ft).

A S airstream will cover the British Isles, a trough moving N across most areas during the day.

Area forecasts:

London, East Anglia, SE and Central S England, Midlands, E England, Channel Islands: Cloudy at first, with a little rain, sunny intervals later; wind S moderate; max temp 19°C (66°F).

SW England, Wales: Cloudy, occasional rain or drizzle, hill and coastal fog; wind S moderate or fresh; max temp 17°C (63°F).

N, W, NE and Central N England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Argyll, N Ireland: Cloudy, rain at times, hill fog; wind S moderate; max temp 16°C (61°F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands, NW Scotland: Dry and bright at first, occasional rain later; wind S moderate; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals at first, cloudier later, mainly dry; wind SE light; max temp 9°C (48°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Dry and warm in E at first, but thundery rain spreading to most areas; temp near normal, but warm in E.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 16°C (61°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 7°C (45°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 61 per cent. Rain, 24h to 7 pm, trace. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm 10.2hrs. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,022.8 millibars rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F		C	F		C	F
Algiers	s	25	77	Copenhagen	r	10	50	Lisbon	s	25	77
Amsterdam	c	12	52	Dublin	c	12	50	Locarno	s	19	66
Athens	s	34	93	Edinburgh	r	11	52	London	c	16	61
Barcelona	s	26	79	Faroe	c	07	45	Luxembourg	r	17	63
Belfast	s	13	55	Funchal	s	20	68	Madrid	s	24	75
Belfast	c	12	54	Geneva	s	21	70	Majorca	s	27	81
Berlin	c	15	59	Gibraltar	f	18	64	Malaga	s	27	81
Biarritz	s	17	63	Guernsey	f	15	59	Malta	s	29	84
Birmingham	c	13	55	Helsinki	d	10	50	Manchester	r	13	55
Bristol	c	14	57	Innsbruck	r	15	59	Moscow	c	19	66
Barkdale	s	11	52	Istanbul	s	28	82	Munich	s	22	72
Bridlington	c	13	55	Jersey	c	15	59	Naples	s	27	81
Cardiff	c	13	55	L Palmas	s	21	70	New York	s	21	70
Colombo	r	28	82					Nice	f	19	66
								Nicosia	s	30	86
								Oslo	c	12	54
								Paris	f	17	63
								Penzance	s	14	57
								Rome	s	26	79
								Stockholm	s	10	50
								Tel Aviv	s	29	84
								Tunis	s	28	82
								Vienna	s	17	63
								Warsaw	f	12	54
								Zurich	r	10	50

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm, June 4

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C	Max temp °F	
E COAST					
Scarboro	11.6	—	15	59	Sunny
Bridlington	6.5	.03	13	55	Showers
Cleton	8.9	—	15	59	Sun pds
Margate	10.0	—	15	59	Sun pds
S COAST					
Hastings	11.6	—	15	59	Sunny
Eastbrne	12.8	—	15	59	Sunny
Brighton	13.3	—	14	57	Sunny
Worthing	12.3	—	14	57	Sunny
Bognor R	14.1	—	14	57	Sunny
Swnbrne	13.8	—	14	57	Sunny
Sandown	10.8	—	16	61	Sunny
Bournmth	11.8	—	14	57	Sunny
Exmouth	10.9	—	14	57	Sun pds
Torquay	9.4	—	14	57	Sun pds
Falmouth	5.8	—	14	57	Sun lats
W COAST					
Morecambe	7.6	.07	13	55	Sun lats
Blackpool	7.1	—	13	55	Sun lats
Ultracombe	8.8	—	14	57	Sun pds

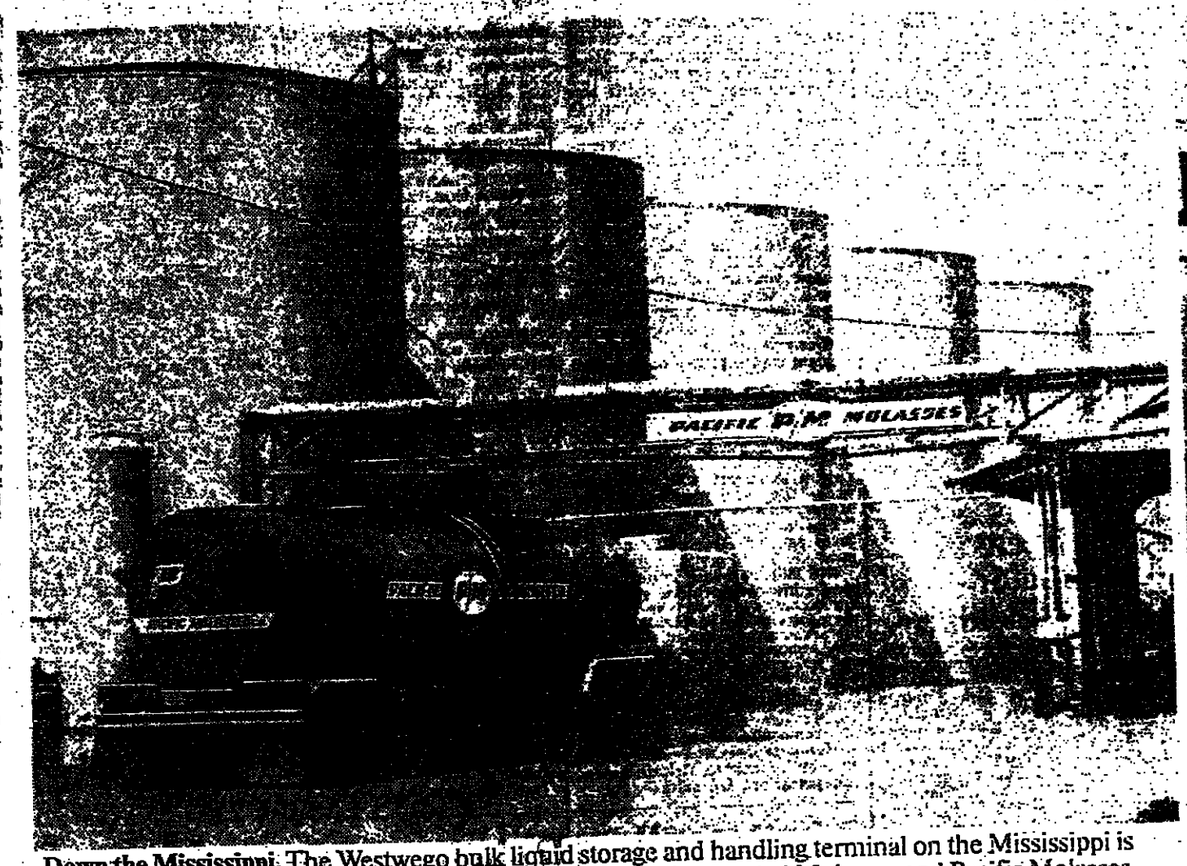
Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, Fr 8; Denmark, Dkr 1.50; Finland Fmk 1.50; France, Fr 1; Germany, DM 1.00; Greece, Dr 50; Holland, Dfl 1.75; Italy, L 400; Luxembourg, Lf 10; Madeira, Esc 11; Malta, 9d; Norway, Kr 1.00; Portugal, Esc 17.50; Spain, Pes 35; Sweden, Skr 1.50; Switzerland, Fr 1.50; USA/Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 20.

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HOME NEWS

More major criminals giving information to the police about their former associates

By Clive Borrell

An apparent increase in the number of notorious criminals who are prepared to help the police is referred to by Sir Robert Mark, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, in his annual report published yesterday.

"The confident assumption by such criminals that they can be protected from the revenge of their former associates is a most encouraging development", he adds.

Several squads of armed detectives have been assigned to keep guard day and night on nearly a dozen known criminals who have given information about the activities of their former associates in return for police protection.

Scotland Yard's gun guard has also been extended to include the families and close friends of the men who in the past 12 months have helped to secure the arrest of scores of men who hitherto had escaped arrest through lack of evidence.

The report says: "For example, a person originally arrested and charged with robbing a security guard supplied information which enabled Flying Squad officers to charge more than a hundred other persons with various offences of robbery, burglary, attempted murder and conspiracy to pervert the course of justice.

"Information from the same source also made it possible to arrest a number of persons planning to rob a bank in west London before they were able to commit the offence."

Much of the credit for the Yard's successes can be attributed to Deputy Assistant Commissioner Ernest Bond, operational head of the 3,200-strong CID. He has brought together a formidable team of detectives from the Flying Squad, the regional crime squad and the bank robbery squad, backed up by a much improved Criminal Intelligence Department. They have built up a network of informers who are prepared to tip them off before crimes are even committed.

One such tip, cited by Sir Robert, prevented a man from being murdered. Word was passed to Scotland Yard that a gang of criminals had offered a man £5,000 to kill a witness who was about to give evidence at a trial. Through their informant the Flying Squad discovered that the would-be murderer had bought an axe and sheets of plastic and planned to entice his victim into a car, where he would be killed. A disused well was to be the dumping place for the body. The force under Mr Bond foiled the plan, and the witness duly gave evidence.

Sir Robert notes that during last year there was a steep increase in the number of indictable crimes at 413,799, a 16 per cent increase on the previous year. The number of arrests for serious crime, however, rose by 11 per cent.

Sir Robert points out that the number of arrests made last year, 98,326, exceeded the number of crimes reported to the police in London for the whole of 1955.

It would appear that inflation has caught up with the forgers. The commissioner reports: "During 1974 there was a significant reduction in the number of forged bank notes issued compared with the previous year, and this could well indicate that at present other forms of forgery are thought to offer greater rewards."

Some foreign embassies in London have "panic buttons" to alert the armed mobile patrols of Scotland Yard's newly formed diplomatic protection group if terrorists strike, Sir Robert discloses.

He says: "Certain diplomatic premises, which for various reasons give particular cause for apprehension, are being fitted with emergency buttons which can be activated in the event of any untoward incident to alert the mobile patrols."

Questioned about football hooligans outside the grounds, Sir Robert said no one had come up with a convincing answer. He believed in reasonable deterrents, and thought that fines of £2 or £5, which were laid down when the legislation was first enacted, should now be £75 or £100.

Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for 1974 (Stationery Office, £1.70).



Sir Robert Mark seen at a television interview at Scotland Yard yesterday.

Ancient war helmet must stay in church

From Our Correspondent
Peterborough

A clergyman was refused permission yesterday to sell an ancient battle helmet to raise money for his church. The helmet, valued at £1,000, belonged to Lord Russell of Thornhaugh, a cavalry commander in Queen Elizabeth I's forces, and has hung above his tomb in Thornhaugh parish church, near Peterborough, for several centuries.

The rector, the Rev George Bradshaw, and his church council applied to the diocesan consistory court in Peterborough to sell the helmet and substitute a replica. The diocesan chancellor, Mr Theobald Fitzwalter Butler, rejected the plan.

The Dean of Peterborough, the Very Rev Richard Wingfield Digby, told the court at an earlier hearing: "Whoever erected the monument and placed the helmet above it did so in the confident expectation that both would remain there undisturbed."

Trial opens of ex-director and councillor

Cyril Albert Rance, aged 67, former managing director of Carlton Contractors Ltd, of Epsom, Surrey, and Thomas Gerrard Herron, a councillor, both pleaded not guilty at Newcastle upon Tyne Crown Court yesterday to charges of corruption over building contracts.

Mr Rance, a consultant, of Walsham Close, Felpham, Sussex, is charged with corruptly giving £600 in May, 1968, to Mr Herron, aged 51, of Kingsway, Sunnyside, Tyne and Wear, in consideration of favours shown or to be shown to Carlton Contractors.

Mr Herron, a former councillor of Whickham, near Gateshead, is charged with corruptly receiving the money. He is now a Gateshead councillor.

The trial is expected to last two weeks.

Crime reporter faces 14 more charges

Fourteen more charges were listed against Thomas Bryant, aged 49, freelance crime reporter, when he appeared on remand at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday. He now faces a total of 24 charges, all of dishonest handling and relating to parts of the *Police* [illegible] formation and three police photographs.

With him was John Ponder, aged 46, a reporter, of Sheen Road, Richmond, charged with dishonestly handling three police photographs and with inducing a Metropolitan Police officer to commit a breach of discipline.

Both men were remanded to June 18. Both are on bail. Mr Bryant, of Copse Glade, Woodlands, Surbiton, Surrey, in the sum of £4,000 and Mr Ponder, in the sum of £1,000.

EEC REFERENDUM

Urging a 'Yes' vote, Mr Wilson finds a far from unanimous welcome in the Welsh hillsides

From Trevor Fishlock
Cardiff

The Prime Minister had a noisy reception, when he closed the pro-EEC campaign at a rally attended by more than a thousand people in Cardiff last night. Urging a "Yes" vote as "best for Britain, best for Europe and the Commonwealth", he spoke against a barrage of shouting and the waving of "No" placards.

Referring to the scenes at St Pancras Town Hall, London, on Tuesday he said: "I had the Sieg Heil stuff last night. I hope you are better than the fascists and communists who were there last night."

Pointing to one section of the crowd, he said: "No fighting, no fighting. Let us have no arguments."

To one heckler he joked: "Tony Benn is not going to be pleased with you."

At one stage, Mr Wilson said: "You have had your fun now. I hope you will treat this with the seriousness it deserves." Then a man shouted: "You are on the same platform as Ted Heath. It's a sell-out."

Mr Wilson's last appeal was met with comparative silence: Tomorrow is the decisive day in the affairs of our people. When all the arguments have died down and this campaign comes to an end and when the dust has finally settled, tomorrow's decision will be seen not just as a vote but as a vote about the future of our young people, our children and those who come after them.

Membership was of much greater benefit to Britain since renegotiation. He said.

"A 'Yes' vote is best because even our political opponents admit we have negotiated the better terms they said we could not get. Membership of the EEC means more and better jobs for our people. In renegotiation, our partners accepted that national governments are the best judges of what is right to protect their workers, to create new jobs, to stop migration from the hard-hit areas.

"A 'Yes' vote is best because the unfair burdens of the Common Market budget have been redressed; because we have secured our major food and farming objectives; because our membership ensures security of food supplies in an increasingly hungry world.

'It is best because we have a market of more than 200 million people to whom we can sell, without a tariff wall to climb.

Best, because we have secured all we sought on help for Scotland, Wales and the regions, a clear recognition that the British Government and Parliament will be able to take whatever action is considered necessary to help regional development. Best, because we have negotiated a massive European regional fund. Best, because we have established beyond doubt that the British people will decide whether to take into public ownership any industry, enterprise or service where we believe that public ownership is the right answer.

Oil and gas resources off the shore of Britain belong entirely to Britain. In two elections I announced Labour's determination to take majority participation and control in North Sea oil operations, for the benefit of all our people. We retain full control of the operation of getting the oil and bringing it ashore. We retain full sovereign rights to determine the right of exploration and production.

On issues affecting Wales, he said that the coal and ste[el] industries would benefit fr[om] British involvement in the EE[C]. He continued:

The Welsh people are a Europe[an] people. They have never been i[so]lationist. Membership of the Co[m]munity will not stop the We[lsh] being Welsh. It would take m[ore] than that to threaten for [a] moment the distinctive culture [of] the Welsh. Nor does membersh[ip] mean that the relationship betwe[en] Wales and the United Kingdom [is] affected. Labours' plans to [de]volve powers to a Welsh admin[is]tration are not affected by [the] membership of the Communi[ty]. There is nothing in the Treaty [of] Rome to prevent devolution.

Mr Callaghan, the Forei[gn] Secretary, strongly attacked t[he] anti-Marketeers' assertion th[at] Britain's power to run her o[wn] affairs would be restricted [by] the EEC. He said:

That is arrant rubbish. Power [is] here and not in Brussels. [We] have been perfectly free to le[gis]late for a national oil corpo[ra]tion, to nationalize ship and a[ir] craft building, to set up a n[ew] structure for British Leyland, a[nd] to deal with unemployment.

Amid shouts from the crow[d] he said:

Let us say "Yes" to keeping [our] food supplies safe. Plenty [of] countries would send us food [if] we were out, but it would not [be] cheap food. We talked to [the] Prime Ministers of New Zeal[and] and Australia about this, and [they] said there would be no cut [in] for Britain. They learnt [a] lesson from the oil producers.

The story going around [in] South Wales that the Gove[rn]ment planned to close the p[its] was a lie, and "we shall [be] maximizing energy producti[on] including coal", he said.

Penal policy has failed us, Lord Justice Lawton says

By Marcel Berlins
Legal Correspondent

Penal policy directed to the rehabilitation of offenders had failed to reduce crime in Britain, Lord Justice Lawton said yesterday. "I am convinced that crime will continue to increase as long as the public are bamboozled into thinking that a prime cause of it is bad social conditions and not wickedness", he said.

Lord Justice Lawton, giving the annual Riddell Lecture to the Institute of Legal Executives in London, said that for system in Britain had been directed to the rehabilitation of offenders, "a most noble ideal which has a great appeal to kind-hearted people". But the results had been most disappointing.

Lack of interest by the public and of factual information about the way penal institutions were run, he said, had sometimes caused public opinion to be led astray by reformers whose enthusiasm for their theories was much greater than their knowledge of what they were talking about.

"What may have gone wrong in the past seventy years is that the state has made the carrots more and more appetizing and the stick (figuratively, [illegible]

He accepted that bad social conditions were a contributing factor to crime, "but", he said, "the public should recognize that criminals are human beings, that they have the failings of human beings and that like all other human beings of sound mind they will probably respond to rewards and punishments."

"In my opinion, far-reaching and fundamental changes are necessary in our penal system if crime is to be kept down; it can never be wiped out because of the nature of man."

He said that, when sentencing judges should take public opinion into account but they should not pander to it because it might be wrongheaded or [illegible] said. "They do know how their fellow citizens think and live, probably better than any other section of the community. It is their job to do so".

He gave the example of child-stealing cases, where what judges did by way of sentencing seemed to clash with public opinion. Defending sentences of imprisonment on women who had been convicted of child-stealing, Lord Justice Lawton pointed out that in some cases, where the offender had not been classified as mentally ill by doctors, the only way in which they could protect the public was to impose custodial sentences.

He also defended judges from the accusation that they lived in cocoons, knowing nothing of what was going on in the world around them, clinging to outmoded ideas and concepts of behaviour.

Mr Powell emphasizes his trust in Mr du Cann

By John Winder

Speaking to a large audience in a Sidcup cinema in Mr Heath's constituency last night, Mr Enoch Powell, Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South, gave his version of why Mr du Cann had spoken as he did on Tuesday in Taunton about divisions within the party. He said Mr du Cann would in the long run be found to have served his party most faithfully.

"This last 24 hours has produced a profound transformation of the scene for many millions, especially of Conservative voters", he said. The whole background of the referendum had been dramatically altered.

Conservative voters had thought until then that if they had not personally addressed themselves to so deep a question they could rely on the advice of their MPs and their party. He added:

They might well feel that the Conservative Party, the party identified with the cause of the nation, which is nothing if it is not a national party, could not lead them astray on a question such as this, which so eloquently went to the very facts of our national existence.

All that is now different. They were told little more than 24 hours ago by a person than whom there ought to be none more qualified to tell them, that in his considered opinion, clearly an opinion long matured and expressed in words most carefully drawn and issued several days before he spoke, no more than half the Conservative MPs support a "Yes" answering tomorrow's referendum.

And that in the secrecy of the polling booth something like half their number may well be putting their cross against the word "no" on the ballot paper.

Mr du Cann, far more than the party leaders, was expected to know what Conservative MPs were thinking. "There is no comparable authority upon which one could more rely for a judgment of the balance of truth."

Shinwell plea: A call for Britons to stand by their country and to show a "bit of guts" with a resounding "No" vote came in a letter from Lord Shinwell at an eve-of-referendum meeting in Liverpool last night (the Press Association reports).

Polls say "Yes": The voters will say "Yes", according to the latest opinion polls. The Harris Poll in the *Daily Express* today gives 61 per cent "Yes", 22 per cent "No" and 17 per cent undecided. It estimates a 71 per cent turn-out.

A Gallup Poll in *The Daily Telegraph* says that 68 per cent of those interviewed intended to vote "Yes" and 32 per cent "No". It adds that 65 per cent of the electorate intend to vote.

Rebels ask voters to make it Independence Day

The six Cabinet ministers who dissented from the Government's recommendation to stay in the Community urged voters last night to "make tomorrow Britain's independence day".

The statement came from Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, Mr Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, Mr Shore, Secretary of State for Trade, Mrs Hart, Minister for Overseas Development, and Mr John Silkin, Minister for Planning and Local Government. The statement said:

Tomorrow's vote is your chance to get back for yourself and your children three rights: First, your right only to obey those laws you yourself have voted for and pay only those taxes agreed by your elected MPs whom you yourselves can dismiss.

Second, your right to buy in the shops untaxed food from the cheapest markets in the world.

Third, your right to a job in Britain which can only come from the reequipment of British industry and from trade with the nations of the world where Britain's goods are needed.

There is nothing wrong with Britain that the British people cannot put right. Make tomorrow Britain's Independence Day by voting 'NO'.

Mrs Castle said yesterday that Britain's future outside the EEC would lie in increased trade with oil producing countries. That is where our money has gone and that is where we have got to follow it with goods to earn that money back, and we must do it unencumbered with Common Market membership.

Mr Hugh Simmons, chairman of the Conservatives Against The Treaty of Rome, said: "I know personally of a considerable number of well placed and leading Conservatives who are admitting in private conversations that they will vote 'NO' although campaigning in public for a 'YES' vote."

He alleged that they were doing that out of a "misplaced sense of party loyalty" and a misguided desire to safeguard their own political futures. Mr Simmons refused to name anyone.

Mr Arne Haugestad, leader of the successful Norwegian anti-EEC campaign, said Norway was better off industrially and politically than if she had gone into the Market.

"Today there is a sta[te] political situation in Norw[ay] with no influence from [the] extreme left", he said. [He] emphasized that, as in Brit[ain] it was the establishment [that] had been for the Commun[ity] and had told the Norwegi[ans] that they would be better [off] if they joined.

Mr Shore said that three ye[ars] ago the British people w[ere] lulled into the EEC by fa[lse] promises and deceits. "Now [the] tactic is to frighten and p[ut] them out of their own bi[g] right", he said.

Mr Foot said: "Everybo[dy] knows that if in fact we ha[ve a] surplus with our trading r[e]tions with the EEC that wo[uld] have been used as an argum[ent] by those in favour of staying [in]. Because the opposite [has] occurred, I say we are entit[led] to draw deductions from th[at].

Mr Douglas Jay, Labour MP [for] opposed to the EEC, said tha[t] Britain stayed in, every fam[ily] in the country would in th[e] years be paying an average [of] £3 a week more for food t[han] if she stayed outside.

This is the extra cost of food [in] in the rest of the Common Mar[ket] to which our costs have to [be] forced up when the transitio[nal] period is over. It raises by ab[out] 20 per cent what the ordin[ary] family would have to pay [for] food.

Official figures showed t[hat] in 1974 the British consum[er] paid £800m in EEC food tax[es].

Mr Brian Sedgemore, left-wi[ng] Labour MP for Luton We[st] said Mr Healey's description [of] assertions that up to 700,[000] jobs might be lost by Britai[n] membership of the EEC [as] "bunk" was "either wilful [or] ignorant". He continued:

I very much regret the Chancell[or's] statement, which was infantile. [He] has simply not tried to answer [the] argument. These figures about [the] threat to jobs are part of a seri[ous] economic debate. Economic p[ro]fessors have addressed themsel[ves] to the very detailed statisti[cal] arguments that have been [put] forward.

No one was suggesting tha[t] Britain had not entered [the] Community there would n[ot] be about 500,000 fewer unem[ployed]. The argument [was] rather about jobs that had be[en] lost, were being lost, or co[uld] not be created.

Mr Healey denies that poor are worse off

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Mr Healey, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, last night issued a statement asserting that his most recent Budget and other government measures had not only protected the living standards of the poor, but increased them for many families. The statement came after he had met representatives of the Child Poverty Action Group, which has alleged in two memoranda since the Budget that government policy had worsened the plight of the poor.

The statement, issued by the Treasury, took an example given by the group. A family earning £25 a week in March or April, 1974, now had a real disposable income 0.5 per cent higher than a year ago. It would be 2.5 per cent higher if the family had three children and the improvement was while there were exceptional economic difficulties everywhere.

Mr Healey did not accept the group's contention that higher pensions and social security rates due in November would be worth less than the April increases. That assertion was based on the continuation until November of the present 34 per cent annual rate of inflation. On his present information, the purchasing power of pensions in November would be higher than in April.

Mr Frank Field, director of the Child Poverty Action Group, said yesterday that he accepted that some poor families were now better off, but only if they were in jobs where pay rises had broken the social contract.

Man accused of managing quasi-military group

From Our Correspondent
Winchester

A man alleged to be the supreme commander of the Ulster Defence Association in Great Britain faced a charge of running a quasi-military organization when he appeared in the dock at Winchester Crown Court yesterday.

Thomas Astley Thompson, aged 40, unemployed of Langrove Street, Liverpool, pleaded not guilty to conspiring with others between January, 1973, and April, 1974, to contravene the Firearms and Explosive Substances Act; conspiring between December, 1973, and January, 1974, in Liverpool and elsewhere with others to contravene the Firearms Act; and managing a quasi-military organization for a political objective.

Mr John Hampden Inskip, QC, for the Crown, said that until his arrest last November Mr Thompson was concerned with obtaining firearms and explosives for use, if required, by the UDA.

Counsel continued: "The probable uses were training in the use of firearms; to produce firearms for publicity displays; and to convince people in Britain that the UDA was a force to be reckoned with; and, if all else failed, to fight to retain Ulster as part of the United Kingdom."

Mr Inskip said Mr Thompson had claimed to be the head of the UDA in Britain, with Mr John Gadd as his second in command. He said: "An arms consignment from Canada was addressed to a Mr Griffiths, Leeds UDA branch commander. Mr Griffiths, Gadd and a Mr Forbes were convicted at this court last November for conspiring to get firearms into this country. As a result of evidence given in that trial Mr Thompson was arrested."

Mr Inskip told the jury: "On the charge of managing an organization, the prosecution submit that the aim to retain Ulster as part of the United Kingdom is a political objective."

The trial continues today.

Arbitration plea by Mr Jones in stable strike

Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, has invited Mr James Mortimer, chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, to intervene in the Newmarket stable lads' strike.

In a letter to Mr Mortimer, Mr Jones called for "the strongest possible representations being made to the trainers to accept arbitration". He said that the Newmarket Trainers' Federation had refused to negotiate.

The trainers say they will not go to arbitration and they cannot afford to pay the extra £1.47 a week the lads want on top of the £3 a week that has been paid.

Woman giggled as girl branded child

From Our Correspondent
Stafford

Sonia Barber, aged 59, sat and giggled while a girl of nine was branded and tortured with a red-hot poker wielded by a girl, aged 12, it was alleged at Stafford Crown Court yesterday.

Then Miss Barber helped to tie the younger girl's hands behind her back with a plastic bag while the poker was being reheated for more branding, Mr Christopher Stuart-White, for the prosecution said. The girl was eventually untied and taken to hospital, where she was detained for five days. She was treated for 33 burns on various parts of her body including her face, the inside of her thighs, and the back of her knees.

The court was told that Miss Barber had invited up to twenty children on many occasions to her council bungalow at Wolverhampton where innocent games of cards developed into sexual play. On occasions two of the children, a boy of 16 and a girl of 15, had sexual intercourse in the kitchen while Miss Barber stood at the door giving a running commentary to the other children, whose ages ranged from nine to 16.

Miss Barber, of Broome Road, Low Hill, Wolverhampton, described by the defence as a "pathetic, desperately unhappy woman", pleaded guilty to causing grievous bodily harm to the girl of nine. She also pleaded guilty to permitting her home to be used for sexual intercourse and to committing an act of gross indecency with a girl of 13. She was jailed for 12 months.

New moral vision urged for unions

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

Trade unionism urgently needs a new moral vision, a leading Methodist minister said yesterday. Its original basis, the workers' struggle against poverty, had been exhausted, the Rev Derek Farrow, general secretary of the Methodist Church Division of Finance, said.

Unions needed a new ethic and a "new prophetic voice which will proclaim the new union morality".

Addressing a meeting of industrial chaplains at Luton Industrial College on the ethics of finance, he said unions that wielded power to defeat the social contract were as immoral as Victorian pit and mill owners who disregarded the interests of their workers.

"To force fellow workers on to the dole to achieve some slight and temporary advantage for oneself is unforgivable", he said.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, an active Methodist, had a deep understanding of the issues involved in the evolution of the trade union movement.

Early leaders of unions were regarded as disreputable and dangerous, Mr Farrow said. Their value had ultimately been accepted by the whole community, but now they faced the difficulties arising from their own success.

"The unions are no strangers to ethics", he said. "These descendants of the mighty worker-warriors of the past were fed on the burning sense of injustice and morality.

"It is not yet universally recognized in the unions that all that can be achieved for the time being has been. The nation has reached economic bedrock and there is no more national cake to share. The flexing of vast industrial muscle to wrest even higher wages will now bring increasing unemployment."

Nalgo threat to disrupt poll in some places

From Our Correspondent
Stoke on Trent

Council officials at Stafford were trying yesterday to find emergency staff to supervise referendum polling stations, after the town's local government officers had decided not to cooperate with the count.

A council spokesman said many polling stations might not open unless replacement staff were found. The Stafford borough branch of the National and Local Government Officers' Association (Nalgo) has decided not to cooperate because of national dispute over pay. Nal[go] members in parts of Gwent a[nd] Mid Glamorgan, South Wal[es] may take similar action.

Twenty residents of a stre[et] in Newcastle under Lyme, St[af]fordshire, will not be able [to] vote because they have o[nly] recently moved into new hom[es] which have not been record[ed] on the electoral register.

council spokesman said: "It [is] very unfortunate, but sometim[es] new properties do fail to cat[ch] our attention."

Chambermaid on murder charge

Sandra Millett, aged 22, a chambermaid, of Broughton Road, Banbury, Oxfordshire, was charged last night with the murder of her flatmate, Helen Joan Bleach, aged 21.

Det Supt Philip Fairweather, who had led the inquiry, said Miss Millett would appear before Banbury magistrates today. He added that there was likelihood of a third party's [illegible] charged in connexion with the murder. Inquiries at United States Air Force base at Upper Heyford and [illegible] would continue.

Mary Poppins talks go on

TT Line the Hamburg shipping company, yesterday denied that is has withdrawn its effort to start a new cross-Channel service with the car ferry Mary Poppins. It said the ship had returned to Germany for refuelling and to give the crew shore leave while discussions continued.

If talks today in Southampton between the company and representatives of the British and French port unions succeed it was hoped that sailings would start within a week, the company said.

Spending cuts end hope of free contraception for all

By Our Social Services Correspondent

The hope that contraception would be available free to everyone once it was transferred to the National Health Service has been undermined by public expenditure cuts, the Brook Advisory Centres said in its annual report yesterday.

Birth control clinic services could no longer continue to expand in direct response to demand, it said.

The centres will press the Department of Health and Social Security to ensure that any expansion acknowledges the needs of teenagers for more birth control facilities.

The report said that last year 27,000 girls aged under 20 had abortions and that a recent government survey had found that a third of unmarried women aged 16 to 35 were sexually active.

Last year the 19 Brook centres in England and Scotland helped more than 41,500 young couples, an increase of 22 per cent on the previous year.

Air terminal to be redeveloped

Terminal Two at Heathrow airport, London, is to be redeveloped, the British Airports Authority said yesterday.

The £8m scheme will include a new passenger ramp to the car park; an extended airline check-in area; stairs and lifts for the disabled; a new shopping area; a children's nursery; and a restaurant.

The BAA said the alterations would help to reduce "bottlenecks" and improve standards for travellers. The development programme will probably last until 1977.

Scots fear apathy among the voters

From Our Correspondent
Glasgow

Mr Russell Johnston, chairman of the Scottish Liberal Party and honorary president of the Scotland in Europe Campaign, told a press conference in Glasgow yesterday that the Highlands and Grampian region would come out with a very definite "Yes" in tomorrow's referendum vote.

The fishing arguments, which had played such a strong part in the initial stages of the campaign, had faded out, he said.

Both he and Dr J. Dickson Mabon, the Labour Co-operative member for Greenock, who is chairman of the campaign, referred to the poorly attended meeting. Mr Johnston spoke of the lack of heckling as an "eerie silence", and Dr Mabon agreed that apathy might result in a low poll.

A low poll with a marginal result would be highly unsatisfactory, he said. He wanted a decisive result with a respectable poll, and respectable was 40 per cent and more. "Anything under 40 per cent and we are in trouble", he said.

Dr Mabon and Mr Johnston both predicted a "Yes" vote in eight Scottish areas: Strathclyde, south-west Scotland, the Borders, Central, Fife, Highlands, Grampian and Orkney.

They were "dubious" about the Teesside and Lothian regions, and "worried" about the Western Isles and Shetland. Dr Mabon said he expected "a clear Yes" from Strathclyde, which covers half the population of Scotland, while in the Borders and south-west they would win "hands down".

There was not so much confidence in the Scottish National Party, whose senior vice-chairman and director of the referendum campaign, Mrs Margo MacDonald, pondered before cautiously predicting a "No" vote in eight regions with a "Yes" vote in the south west, Orkney and the Borders.

Meanwhile the Get Britain Out Scottish campaign at Glasgow press conference took heart from the statement by Mr du Cann that the Conservatives were not united over Europe. Mr Terry Taylor, who resigned from the Heath government over the EEC issue, said it was brave and courageous for a chairman of the 1922 Committee to make such a statement.

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Vilson's result should be known by early sides tomorrow evening if ... ne verdict proves overwhelming

By David Wood
Political Editor

Servicemen and their wives ...rseas have already voted in *the referendum, and their ballot* ...ers are now being checked ... the Ministry of Defence ...are being passed to Earls ...rt for inclusion in the ...ater London count tomorrow. *Service families in the Far* ...t voted on Tuesday, and ...se in Europe voted yester- ... All told, Servicemen and ...ir wives total about 400,000 ...ctors, of whom 65,000 Ser- ...emen are in Europe, 15,000 ... the Mediterranean, 10,000 in ... Far East, and 3,500 else- ...ere. The votes of Service- ...n and their wives in the ...ited Kingdom will be coun- ... in the administrative coun- ...s or regions where they are ...w stationed.

Today about 40 million people ... the United Kingdom will be ...titled to vote on the elec- ...al register that came into ...eration on February 16 this ...ar; and, unlike registers for ...rliamentary elections, the ...al includes peers who may ...te in local government elec- ...ns. About 50,000 polling ...ths will open at 7 am today ...d will close at 10 pm. But the ...unt will not begin anywhere ...til 9 am tomorrow, although ...e verification of the ballot will ... completed by most returning ...ficers late tonight.

The first result is expected at ...oon tomorrow or soon after from the Isles of Scilly. Within an hour or two the "Yes" and "No" figures should be flowing fairly rapidly, and if there is an overwhelming verdict one way or the other the national result should have been placed beyond doubt early tomorrow evening.

The following are the totals of electors in the United Kingdom on the latest register, although deaths and removals affect the precision of the figures:—

	Total electors	Under 18
England	35,756,671	428,855
Wales	2,032,740	24,271
Scotland	3,733,457	45,288
Northern Ireland	1,043,747	16,262
United Kingdom	40,566,570	514,699

The electorates of the counties and regions that will be declaring their individual results from noon tomorrow onwards are as follows:

Greater London	6,697,469
Metropolitan counties	
Greater Manchester	1,955,779
Merseyside	1,345,237
South Yorkshire	994,510
Tyne and Wear	1,052,042
West Mid lands	1,991,504
West Yorkshire	1,800,908
Non-metropolitan counties	
Avon	672,872
Bedfordshire	490,607
Berkshire	438,804
Buckinghamshire	481,110
Cambridgeshire	352,110
Cheshire	640,816
Cleveland	554,105
Cornwall	404,661
Cumbria	453,719
Derbyshire	659,726
Devon	686,726
Dorset	455,967
Durham	449,842
Essex	1,088,508
Gloucestershire	553,508
Hampshire	968,059
Hereford and Worcester	451,607
Hertfordshire	670,816
Humberside	634,534
Isle of Wight	97,453
Kent	1,048,686
Lancashire	1,011,387
Leicestershire	597,502
Lincolnshire	377,501
Norfolk	494,766
Northants	385,671
Northumberland	315,417
North Yorkshire	373,107
Nottinghamshire	713,115
Oxfordshire	382,000
Salop	280,100
Somerset	524,000
Staffordshire	715,824
Suffolk	383,051
Surrey	700,000
Warwickshire	521,053
West Sussex	570,814
Wiltshire	332,000
Welsh counties	
Clwyd	275,705
Dyfed	215,854
Gwent	317,000
Gwynedd	165,000
Mid Glamorgan	304,000
Powys	77,000
South Glamorgan	254,710
West Glamorgan	293,000
Scotland	
Highland region	139,711
Orkney Islands	15,000
Shetland Islands	15,000
Western Isles	19,000
Grampian region	329,894
Tayside region	353,977
Fife region	278,661
Lothian region	553,211
Borders region	73,859
Central region	190,000
Strathclyde region	1,778,611
Dumfries and Galloway	102,197
Northern Ireland	1,042,747

As distinct from parliamentary elections, where results are declared for 635 constituencies, the referendum poll is to be announced by counties or regions, which embody several parliamentary seats. Each county or region will declare its own poll and then immediately report the figures to the chief counting officer, Sir Philip Allen, at Earls Court.

Referendum popular: People are not sick of referendums. This is one conclusion of a special Opinion Research Centre survey published in New Society today.

Many thought it would be a "good idea" to have referendums on hanging for murder, pulling British troops out of Northern Ireland, and limiting pay increases by law.

Troops vote early in N Ireland

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

To ensure maximum security during the referendum vote, the 14,000 British troops serving in Ulster were given the opportunity yesterday to cast an early vote at polling stations set up inside their barracks and temporary billets.

The Government decided on that to enable the Army to be on full alert throughout polling day in case of violence at any of Ulster's 545 voting stations. They will be working with the RUC and the Ulster Defence Regiment.

Altogether, 63 army ballot boxes were used yesterday: they were later taken under guard to the Army's headquarters at Lisburn, and then to Belfast City Hall, where all Ulster's votes will be counted on Friday.

For convenience, the soldiers' votes will be counted together with those cast by Ulster's million electors.

The closing stages of the campaign in Ulster showed that religion will play as big a part in influencing voters as any of the economic arguments. Most leading "loyalists", with the exception of the Vanguard leader, Mr Craig, have been urging their supporters to vote "No". The anti-Market campaign is also supported by both wings of the republican movement.

A large advertisement in yesterday's *Belfast News Letter*, the leading Protestant newspaper, argued that a vote for staying in the EEC was a vote for ecumenism, Rome, dictatorship and Antichrist, in that order. Earlier Tara, one of the more sinister loyalist groups, said that a "Yes" vote would result in what it described as EEC troops leading the republic's army through the streets of Belfast "to hoist the tricolour over Stormont".



Two soldiers pondering over their decisions at a polling booth in Belfast yesterday.

Local political observers expect the Ulster result to mirror the loyalist coalition's recent success in the Convention elections. The verdict, both in Northern Ireland and in Britain as a whole, will be keenly awaited in Dublin, which faces severe economic consequences if the British public vote to pull out of Europe.

Throughout the referendum campaign the Dublin Government has repeated several times that it will continue as an EEC member whatever the referendum result.

Minister wrong, the Foreign Office says

By a Staff Reporter

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office said yesterday that Mr Hattersley, Minister of State, had made an error in a letter issued on Tuesday saying that at least six industrial investment projects might be cancelled if there was a "No" vote in the referendum.

The minister had said that a verified example of such a situation was the fifty-fifty venture by the American Monsanto and Union Carbide groups to build the first stage of a plant making chemical intermediates for nylon on Teesside.

After disclosure in *The Times* that Union Carbide had no connexion with the project, the Foreign Office said there had been an error, but defended the "basic facts" of the letter.

Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Manufacturing Staffs, said yesterday that Mr Hattersley might have felt he could scare people. His statement that an investment plan by BP (Chemicals) Ltd at Grangemouth depended on a "Yes" vote was unbelievable. "Mr Hattersley knows that Grangemouth is where the oil is going to be landed", he added.

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Labour Party secretary defends Mr Benn

...y Michael Hatfield
...olitical Staff

The Prime Minister has been ...iven an oblique warning by Mr ...ayward, general secretary of ...e Labour Party, of the damage ...iat would be caused to party ...orale if Mr Wedgwood Benn, ...ecretary of State for Industry, ...as dismissed after the referen- ...um campaign.

The defence of Mr Benn is in- ...uded in an interview reported ...n this week's edition of *Labour ...eekly*.

Asked what had been the ...fect of newspaper talk during ...e campaign of a post- ...eferendum Cabinet reshuffle, ...r Hayward said:

"It is very interesting to see the ...wspapers seeking to pick a ...bour Cabinet, and I wonder ...hether it is a reshuffle they are ...ter, or a sacking. This is a ...atter for the Prime Minister, and ... does not need advice from me, ...d certainly not from the Tory ...ess.

But when asked what the ...fect on the party would be ... Mr Benn was dismissed, Mr ...ayward replied:

"...rty workers would be very dis- ...ppointed and it would be a severe ...ow to party morale. I have ...ceived many letters saying so. ...hey believe that Tony Benn's ...ly sin is that he is seeking fully to implement our manifesto policies, and I share their belief. The Prime Minister keeps in close touch with the grass roots, and he is well aware of the effects of what the Government does on party workers. But the responsibility of getting the party fully united is not just the Prime Minister's. Everyone, Cabinet Minister, MP, councillor, ward secretary, vote collector and door-knocker, must play his or her part."

Mr Hayward also disclosed that there is to be a joint meeting of the Cabinet and the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party during the summer.

Mr Christopher Frere-Smith, chairman of the Get Britain Out campaign, said last night: "We detect from our latest canvass returns from the regions that there has been a dramatic change in voting intention in the past few days. People are at last seeing that what the referendum is about is the freedom of the British to be ruled by ourselves and not from Brussels by those with whom we feel no affinity, who will not be accountable to us, and over whom we will exercise no democratic control.

"In other words, they realize that there would be an end of Britain as a nation."

Beef in storage not British, Mr Peart says

Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, yesterday denied suggestions by opponents of EEC membership that immense quantities of EEC intervention beef were in store in Britain, preventing British people from enjoying their traditional Sunday joint. He said in a statement:

As with sugar, I think it is important to set out the facts. In Great Britain we have not taken one single pound of beef into intervention since we joined the Community. The beef referred to by the critics is owned by the Irish Republic, who have hired cold sores in this country on a purely commercial basis, and our cold storage firms and employees are benefiting from these contracts. If the Irish did not store it here, they would store it elsewhere.

He had often criticized the policy of taking excessive quantities of beef into intervention, Mr Peart added, but he could not force the Irish Republic to release the beef in Britain before it wished to, any more than the Irish could force Britain to put her beef into intervention. "I am hopeful that the Irish Republic will come to accept the merits of our system and adopt it themselves."

Champagne-cork duel decides the feudal vote

By Craig Seton

There was only one way, of course, for the eccentric Eldon League to decide how its members should vote in the referendum. Not for them a vote cast after detailed study of the arguments, but the decisiveness of champagne corks at 10 yards.

The league, which exists to promote the fun of feudalism and to march its members forward into the past, chose Derby day for the duel. Two of its members, morning-suited and top-hatted, faced each other in the sun to decide the issue. The winner was the one to remove his opponent's hat with a cork from a well shaken Bollinger champagne bottle.

The duel was staged in St James's Park. Neil Hamilton, the league's Imperial Grand Prior, represented the "No" vote, and faced Michael Pearl (Imperial Grand Chancellor) champion of the "Yes" vote.

Corks popped and missed their targets, but Mr Hamilton, having fired first, was declared the victor, and the master of ceremonies announced that the league's 250,000 (or possibly 30) members would thus vote "No".

1,000 Tory women do not agree with Mr du Cann

From Penny Symon
Malvern, Worcestershire

It would have needed great bravery to express an anti-EEC view at Malvern yesterday when a thousand Conservative women, aroused by Mr Edward du Cann's suggestion that the party was split on Europe, presented a formidable pro-Market unity.

The West Midlands area Women's Advisory Committee had arranged its conference before the referendum date was announced, and when it was realized that it would be eve-of-poll day it decided to devote the afternoon session to Europe.

Mr Peter Kirk, MP, leader of the party's delegation to the European Parliament, made a stirring speech to the faithful, but there was a feeling among some delegates that perhaps, as he was preaching to the converted, it would have been more useful if they had all been out taking the message to those who so far had refused to agree with their pro-Market sentiments.

Mr Kirk's reference to Mr du Cann, who suggested that Conservative Party unity was not all that it seemed, was made without naming the chairman of the 1922 Committee.

"It has been the policy of the Tory Party for 15 years at least to support EEC membership, and this has been endorsed by the overwhelming majority of Conservative MPs, not only in successive free votes in the House of Commons but also by every single party conference which has taken place over that time, and by an overwhelming majority.", said Mr Kirk.

"For anyone to say now that the Conservatives are as fundamentally split on the issue as socialists are, is either deluding himself or is trying to mislead. I do not know why the remark was made, but the explanation was not wholly adequate or coherent."

One woman wanted to know why, if the EEC was our protection against communism, there were communist MPs in the European Parliament. Mr Kirk said that French communists were very tough and left-wing, but the Italians would fit nicely into the British Labour Party, not in the left-wing *Tribune* group, but on the right of the party, from where they would probably be arguing against Mr Benn.

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WEST EUROPE

Lisbon parties line up into two blocks at first assembly meeting

From Jose Sherclift
Lisbon, June 4

Portugal's Constituent Assembly held its first working session today but the 250 deputies did not get down to their real business. They have only 90 days to draft a democratic constitution to be submitted for the approval of the Armed Forces Movement.

The session was mainly taken up by electing a commission to control the legality of the deputies' powers and discussing its procedure. Blocking movements by the extreme left soon became noticeable, however.

Senhor Americo Duarte, representing the Popular Democratic Union (UDP), whose slogan is "There's no one to the left of our left", rose to demand the screening of delegates as to their possible reactionary pasts.

He deplored the presence in the assembly of "fascist parties or those who had cherished fascists in their bosom", and he demanded the withdrawal of the mandate of Dr Mota Amaral, of the Popular Democratic Party (PPD), because he had been a deputy in the 1972 National Assembly during the Caetano regime. Dr Amaral is also reported to be connected with the Opus Dei movement.

Senhor Duarte also attacked General Galvao de Melo, a friend of General Spinola, who, he said, had supported the abortive coup last September. The handsome and debonair general smiled broadly throughout the attack.

The Communist and Democratic Movement deputies stamped and thumped on their chair arms when Dr Lopes Cardoso, leader of the Socialist parliamentary group, criticized a motion put forward by the Democratic Movement. The Socialists, Popular Democrats and Social Democrats (CDS) responded by clapping Dr Lopes Cardoso in unison. He urged the assembly to get on with its real business.

It soon became clear that the House was divided into two main tendencies, the PPD and CDS supporting the Socialists, while the Communists and Democratic Movement stood shoulder to shoulder.

The deputies replied "Present" at the assembly roll call in a variety of ways. The Socialists, Communists and members of the Democratic movement shouted "Present" with raised clenched fists. The Popular Democrats gave the V sign. Members of the CDS used their voices not their hands.

Security measures are in force at the entrance to Sao Bento Palace, where the assembly is meeting. Police screen all entrants and a weapon detecting device like those used at airports has been installed.

A small bomb exploded in the building of the Modern Art Museum early today. The building is near the People's Regional Fair where an Armed Forces Movement exhibition is on show. The explosion, which caused no damage, has been imputed to the Portuguese Liberation Movement which is trying to organize the overthrow of the present regime.

It was the third explosion in Lisbon in three days. One wrecked a parked car and the other blew in the windows at the offices of the Brazilian airline Varig.

The Reorganizing Movement of the Proletariat Party (MRPP) asserted today that the military had used machine-guns and wounded at least six people when they dispersed demonstrators outside Caxias prison on Monday night.

A prison official had stated that shots were fired only into the air and hit no one. One man has appeared with a slight head wound, however. The demonstrators gathered outside the prison to protest against the detention of scores of Maoists.

Lisbon, June 4.—The Portuguese Socialist Party today threatened to leave the coalition Government on Saturday unless a dispute over the pro-Socialist newspaper *República* is resolved.

The Information Ministry closed the newspaper on May 19 after communist printers tried to take it over and remove the editor.

The Socialist Party ended its boycott of Cabinet meetings last Friday on the understanding that the Supreme Military Revolutionary Council would act quickly to ensure a resumption of normal publishing. The newspaper has still not reappeared.—Reuter.



Claudio Chiacchierini embraced by his mother on his release from 18 days' captivity.

Kidnapped boy blindfolded for 18 days

From Our Own Correspondent
Rome, June 4

Claudio Chiacchierini, aged 11, who was kidnapped at Torre in Pietra 18 days ago, said today after his release that he had been kept blindfolded throughout his period of captivity.

The child was released last night, after payment of a ransom of more than 1,000m lire (about £750,000), according to the family.

He said that his captors were illiterate and spoke in a dialect which he could not understand. He was kidnapped while staying with his grandparents on the outskirts of Rome.

It was the fifth kidnapping in the Rome area since this form of crime became common. Others involved included the grandson of Mr Paul Getty and Signor Gianni Bulgari, the well known jeweller.

The reported record ransom of 10,000m lire securing Signor Bulgari's release in April illustrates the financial incentive of kidnappers who have abducted more than a dozen people in Italy this year.

The highly organized "Kidnaps Ltd", for example, operated in the north of the country, is believed to be linked with the Mafia.

Finns widen search for missing Briton

Inari, Finnish Lapland, June 4.—Police and troops were regrouping today to expand their search for Mr Alan Enil Johnston, a Briton who has been missing in the tundra near here since Sunday.

The search force of 200, using dogs, aircraft and a helicopter, have combed the difficult terrain north of here since Mr Johnston, who is 32, disappeared. His wife said today she was grateful for the way the Finnish police turned out immediately on Sunday to look for her husband.

Mr Johnston, accompanied by his wife and two other companions, all British tourists, were hiking across country to a remote Lapp chapel, when Mrs Johnston and the other two gave up, leaving Mr Johnston to continue alone.

With the constant daylight at this time of the year here, 160 miles north of the Arctic Circle, the search has continued around the clock.

Search organizers fear that Mr Johnston might have drowned in one of the many pools, bogs and lakes in the area. Cold weather on the first two days of the search have also caused concern.

Mrs Johnston said: "It was a matter of hours between my husband disappearing and the police bringing a dog to the spot where I saw him last to pick up his scent. When we found my husband was missing on Sunday we went to the police straight away".

She described how she, her husband, who is a London office worker, and two other members of the British tourist group they were travelling with, set out on a four-mile hike to the chapel on Sunday morning, while the bus they were travelling in made a two-hour halt. Mr and Mrs Johnston took one trail to the chapel and the other pair took an alternative route.

"We had almost reached the chapel when I turned back. The other party came back to the bus too after I had reached it. They had also failed to get to the church.

"I waited for my husband for about half an hour at the place where the bus was before going back to look for him. Then I made the walk all the way to the church and back. But there was no trace of him."

She said the party took first aid equipment with them in case Mr Johnston had been injured, but finding nothing they simply marked the spot where Mrs Johnston last saw him.

Mrs Johnston said today that she had not taken part personally in the rescue operations as it was work best left to experts. She had been in touch with her parents-in-law in England and was planning to stay here while the search continued.

Police said today that they had no idea of how long they would keep up the search operation.—Reuter.

OVERSEAS

Israel pressure for use of Suez Canal

From Eric Marsden
Jerusalem, June 4

Israel intends to do its utmost to exert diplomatic pressure on Egypt through the United States and other Western nations to allow Israel cargoes to pass through the Suez Canal when international navigation resumes after tomorrow's reopening.

Mr Yigal Allon, the Foreign Minister, pointed out in the Knesset today that Egypt had given this commitment to the United States when the Sinai disengagement agreement was signed after the 1973 war. He said that Israel's decision to pull back some of its forces from forward areas, though it was unilateral, did not release Egypt from its obligation under the disengagement agreement.

Mr Allon's comments reflect concern here that, in spite of the undertaking in the disengagement agreement, President Sadat has been saying in interviews that whether Israel cargoes are allowed through "will depend on Israel's behaviour," and may be decided at Geneva.

The Foreign Minister told the Knesset that he hoped Egypt would assess the Israel move properly and not be tempted to take measures that would compel Israel to retract it. Israel welcomed the reopening of the canal, which would benefit Egypt and the maritime nations and contribute to improving the Middle East situation.

Mr Allon was replying to critical motions by Opposition speakers on the Israel gesture thinning out its forces near the canal. The thinning out move, which involves tanks, artillery and troops, was completed early today.

The right-wing attack was no pressed very hard. The Likud spokesman in the debate, M Eliezer Shostak, elaborated o the theme that Egypt had "don nouring to deserve this ge ture". Mr Allon replied tha the Israel decision, which re resented a calculated but ne very weighty risk, had met wit favourable international rea tion.

Left-wing critics have argue that the withdrawal is merel symbolic, and that it would b more meaningful for Israel t freeze the settlement and deve opment work it is doing in fo mer Egyptian areas, such a Sharm el Sheikh and the Rafa approaches near Gaza.

One Israel skipper is hopin to sail through the canal t morrow. He is Mr Abie Natha captain of the peace shi Shalom, who is well known t the Egyptians. He once fle a private aircraft to Cairo t talk peace with Presider Nasser.

Mr Nathan plans to sa through the canal, round Sin to the Jordan port of Aqab and its Israel neighbour Eila broadcasting a mixture of pc songs and appeals for peace.

Beirut, June 4.—Preside Sadat said in a television inc view shown here tonight th the question of letting Isra ships use the Suez Canal cou only be decided at the Gene peace conference.

He told Lebanese televisi he believed it unlikely th Israel would attack the area the canal

Karami optimism on crisis

Beirut, June 4.—Mr Rashid Karami, the Prime Minister-designate, said today that he had made progress in his efforts to find an acceptable formula for a new government to take Lebanon out of its political crisis.

He was speaking to reporters after spending five hours and a half conferring with President Franjieh. While the were meetiuyg rival political groups kept up a new round of shooting

Mr Karami, who lunched with the President, said they were still studying ways to make it easier to form a government to which all parties could agree.

His major problem is to reconcile the parliamentary and armed weight of the right-wing Phalangists with left-wing demands for their exclusion from government as punishment for their role in the Beirut fighting in April.

The Phalangists, who form Lebanon's biggest political party and have a well-armed 6,000-man militia, have made it clear that they would react if boycotted.

One suggestion canvassed by the Beirut press today was that Mr Karami might form a government which included as ministers without portfolio such political luminaries as former Presidents Camille Chamoun, Charles Helou and Saed Salam. Mr Chamoun is a political ally of the Phalangists.

Brigadier Said Nosrallah, the Minister of the Interior, today conferred with the conflicting parties to find ways of ending the spate of kidnappings which last night threatened Beirut with renewed violence.

In moves announced today to stamp out violence, the directorate-general of the internal security forces said its men had been ordered to open fire immediately on anyone who did not obey their instructions.

The statement said the Minister of the Interior had ordered the security forces to remove all street barricades and take severe measures in dealing with kidnapping and assaults on people and property. Security men were told to arrest snipers and those who carried arms.—Reuter.

Arabs ready for dialogue with Europe

Cairo, June 4.—Talks economic and political coopc tion between the Arab countri and the EEC will open at t Arab League's headquarte here next Tuesday, Mr Muha mad Farra, an assistant sec tary-general of the league s today.

The decision to begin t dialogue on June 10, as orig ally planned, ended nearly thr weeks of Arab hesitation whether to go ahead with t talks. The Arab countries h considered delaying the talks protest against a recent pref ential trade agreement betwe the EEC and Israel.

Today's announcemtn c firmed that Arab objections the dialogue had been ov come.

Tuesday's talks will be att ded by technical experts fr the EEC and all the Ar League member states, exc Libya which is boycotting the In an official Note to the leag Libya said the agreement w Israel clearly showed the EE future intentions.

The Arab League and EEC have been trying to op talks since last year in order strengthen political and ec omic ties. The talks ha already been delayed once ov the issue of Palestinian rep sentation. This controversy v resolved by an agreement t each side would be represent by a single delegation.

The Arabs hope to benc from European technologi and industrial skills and to g European support for an ea settlement of the Middle E conflict.

The latest Middle East pe moves have prompted the pc ponement of the Arab sumr conference in Mogadishu, Somali capital. Dr Sayed Nof an assistant secretary-generl the Arab League, said toc that 11 of the 20 member sta had informed the league t they favoured putting off summit until later this ye Originally it had been due open on June 28.

The Palestine Liberati Organization, which has obs ver status, also was in favour the postponement.

Arrests in Madrid's protest day

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, June 4

Police were out in full strength today in Madrid and made scores of arrests in an attempt to stop a "day of protest" from gathering momentum.

Demonstrations, strikes and a boycott of public transport and markets had been called by the Democratic Junta, a broad front of left-wing illegal opposition groups, against the regime and repression in [illegible] Party, which is not a member of the junta, gave its support as did other left-wing organizations in the working class districts of the capital.

Riot police were outside factory gates before workers arrived and many pickets urging strike action were detained. A police spotter helicopter was on duty throughout most of the day to alert ground forces of pending trouble.

A Government spokesman, dismissing the strength of the protest, described the day as "totally normal", but admitted that there had been 60 arrests. Unofficial sources believe the figure may be much higher.

Students held a protest march in Madrid from the University City along Princesa Street, giving the communist salute and shouting: "Down with fascism!". Police broke up the march with truncheons. Many students were taken away handcuffed in police vans.

A group of 150 distinguished Spanish intellectuals and professional men and women have issued a five-point manifesto calling on the Government to liberalize the regime.

The group is demanding freedom of speech, free trade unions and the right to strike, an amnesty for all political prisoners and a lifting of the state of emergency in the Basque provinces. They said in a signed statement that it was not the job of the police to solve "the economic, social and political problems of our country".

EEC Commission upsets 46 developing nations

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, June 4

On the eve of the British referendum on EEC membership the European Commission in Brussels has been embarrassed by murmurings of discontent from the 46 developing nations of Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific (ACP countries) over the implementation of the much-publicized Lomé Convention they signed earlier this year.

The convention, of which an anti-Marketeer, Mrs Judith Hart, was a principal author as Minister for Overseas Development, was hailed as an historic achievement, creating a new kind of trade and aid relationship between the developed and the developing countries shorn of the neo-colonial connotations of earlier agreements.

Under the convention, the 46 countries, among them many Commonwealth members, are granted duty-free access to the EEC for all industrial and most agricultural goods. They also benefit from, among other things, a special fund set up to offset the adverse effect of price fluctuations on their export earnings.

Ministers of the ACP countries will meet in Georgetown, Guyana, tomorrow and Friday to take stock of progress in implementing the Lomé treaty since it was signed at the end of February. The occasion is likely to reveal that the aura of good will prevailing three months ago has been considerably dissipated.

The 46 countries have a general complaint about what they consider to be a lack of consultation on the implementation of the customs regulations flowing from the treary. Some EEC members, among them the British and the Dutch, concede that the Commission has behaved rather high-handedly, if legally within its rights.

The ACP countries also say, however, that the EEC has failed to keep a specific promise, written into the minutes of the Lomé Convention, of "requisite measures" to maintain at their traditional level the beef exports to the Community (which in effect means Britain) of such countries as Botswana and Swaziland.

The 46 countries were given an assurance that the "traditional level" would be defined as the highest level of exports achieved during any of the last five years. In the case of Botswana this means 1973, when it exported 17,500 tons of beef to Britain.

Botswana's quota for 1975, however, has been set at no more than 10,800 tons, while Swaziland has been given a quota of 1,927 tons, compared with some 3,600 tons it exported to Britain in 1973.

The Commission argues that these quota levels take into account possible extra sales of beef to the Community by the 46 countries through the quotas allocated separately to EEC importers under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt). But ACP sources say these are likely to be negligible.

The 46 countries have a further complaint, however, that, while the EEC has removed a 20 per cent tariff on beef imports, they are still subject to a variable import levy, which takes more than half their gross export earnings.

In its defence, the EEC Commission argues that even with the import levy the ACP countries are getting 30 per cent more for their beef in the Community than they would on the world market, where prices are very depressed. Commission officials also point out that the ACP countries are the only ones exempt from the general ban on beef imports into the EEC

Japan agrees to ban on whale hunting

Tokyo, May 30.—A month before the International Whaling Commission meets in London, Japan has announced that it had reversed its position and generally accepted an Australian proposal banning the hunting of certain whale species.—AP.

Wagner's Bayreuth house to be rebuilt

Bayreuth, West Germany, June 4.—Richard Wagner's nineteenth-century residence, which was destroyed in the Second World War, is to be rebuilt as a Wagner museum, Bayreuth Festival officials announced today.—AP.

General Costa Gomes on state visit to Paris

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, June 4

General Costa Gomes, the Poruguese President, arrived in Paris this afternoon for a four-day state visit, his first official journey abroad since he took office last September.

The President who is accompanied by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade and by the State Secretary for Emigration, was welcomed at Orly airport by M Giscard d'Estaing.

The two Presidents and their wives flew to central Paris by helicopter, and drove in procession from the Esplanade des Invalides to the Palais de Marigny, the official state guest house opposite the Elysée.

The first of two scheduled talks between the two heads of state, which lasted about half an hour, took place immediately after their arrival at the Palais de Marigny. Another will be held tomorrow. This evening, President Giscard d'Estaing entertained General Gomes at a state banquet.

The visit of the Portuguese President is not one of those routine state occasions with which Frenchmen are surfeited. Developments in Lisbon have in recent weeks had a direct repercussion on French political life, putting an increasing strain on the French Socialists' alliance with the Communists.

The two parties are sharply divided over the suppression of the Portuguese socialist newspaper *República*. "Freedom in our old Europe is ndivisible", M Charles Hernu, a Socialist leader declared last night. "That is the meaning of the *República* affair. It concerns all Frenchmen."

Some 800,000 Portuguese workers are employed in France and they are Portugal's biggest single source of foreign exchange earnings. Immigration will be an important topic in General Gomes's discussions

Government in Finland to resign next week

From Our Correspondent
Helsinki, June 4

President Kekkonen of Finland confirmed today that general elections will be held on September 21 and 22. The present Parliament will continue its work for a few more days until some important bills have been cleared.

Mr Kalevi Sorsa, the Prime Minister, announced that his Government would then resign immediately. A non-political caretaker government will be formed next week.

Mr Sorsa's centre-left coalition was not brought down, but internal difficulties became unsurmountable during the past two months. The Government requested a week ago to be relieved of its duties.

Prisoners free hostages after 10-hour talks

Caltanissetta, Sicily, June 4.—Three prisoners who repeatedly threatened to kill two warders they seized as hostages last night surrendered to the police early today. They gave up after 10 hours of tense negotiations

The three men, two of them awaiting trial, had originally demanded a helicopter to escape in, but later modified their demands. They asked to be transferred to a prison in Calabria, to be nearer their families, and also demanded an end to censorship of newspapers in the prison, better food and other improvements

The negotiations were conducted by the defence lawyer of one of the men. He convinced them that there was no way their revolt could succeed.

Vendetta claims thirteenth life

Cittanova, June 4.—Giuseppe Mammone, a shepherd aged 63, was shot dead near this southern Italian village yesterday, becoming the thirteenth victim of a vendetta between two families.—AP.

Bonn seeks powers to curb terrorists

From Dan van der Vat
Bonn, June 4

A draft Bill to amend the criminal code and the rules of criminal procedure, which was approved today by the Bonn Cabinet, seeks to close eight loopholes in West Germany's campaign against terrorism.

The package of measures, which is expected to find broad sympathy on the Opposition benches and have a quick passage through Parliament, starts by defining the new offence of "founding a terrorist association".

This crime would be distinct from the present offence of "founding a criminal association" and also more severely punished, with up to 10 years' imprisonment.

The Bill also introduces for the first time the concept of turning state's evidence. Suspects who do so and assist the authorities in clearing up terrorism cases could be given either milder sentences or none at all. This is an Opposition idea adopted by the Government.

In a move against terrorists' sympathizers, the legal requirement to report a serious crime to the authorities would be extended specifically to terrorism.

To counter the weaknesses often found in a federal system, the Bill provides that the federal Attorney-General would be responsible for prosecuting terrorists.

The rules governing custody before trial would be tightened to make it easier to obtain detention orders against suspected terrorists. The slightest risk that the suspected terrorist would flee if released on bail will suffice.

The sixth clause of the Bill is the most questionable, as it has been drawn up with the present trial of four alleged terrorist leaders in mind. A lawyer excluded from the defence of one accused, in a case, because he was under suspicion of involvement in his client's alleged crimes, would be excluded from the defence of all other accused in the same trial.

The case against the four alleged leaders of the Baader-Meinhof group was adjourned after a day last month after both defence and prosecution asked for clarification whether three lawyers excluded from the defence of one of the accused could be allowed to act for the other three defendants.

Yesterday another court ruled that there was no ground for reopening the exclusion issue as it had already excluded the lawyers from the case as a whole. The trial resumes tomorrow.

Although today's Bill will not be retrospective when it becomes law, it will still be effective early enough to ensure that the three lawyers concerned will be excluded permanently from a case which could run on for two years. The Bill is to have its first reading next week.

Some legal experts are unhappy about the idea of another law designed to affect a particular trial, especially when the case has been in preparation for three years and when the lawyers were excluded only in the few weeks before it began.

The draft Bill also provides for observation, by a judge not concerned in the case, of a suspected terrorist's dealings with his lawyer.

Finally, the Bill provides for a new, rapid procedure to bar a defence lawyer from practising for a period if he is held to have abused his access to a suspect or otherwise acted against his professional duty.

Rome visitors must fend for themselves

From Our Own Correspondent
Rome, June 4

Visitors to Rome can expect a comfortless two days with the start tomorrow of a 48-hour strike of hotel, bar and restaurant workers. According to the management of one leading hotel, clients will have practically to feud for themselves.

At best they can expect about 5 per cent of the normal service. Restaurants run on family lines will prosper for the coming two days as they will be able to remain open, while those dependent on outside staff will be in no position to function.

The strike has been called to back the workers' demands for new collective contracts. The main demands are for higher pay and for a single contract to regulate the conditions of work both for hotel employees and workers in restaurants and bars.

The unions are calling also for a fundamental reform of the way in which the tourist business is organized. The employers contend that the idea of a single contract is unrealistic and that the financial demands would increase their labour costs by 80 per cent.

Tupolev airliner flies in Paris

Paris, June 4.—The Soviet Tupolev 144 supersonic airliner made a brief and cautious flight at the Paris air show today, its first such display since another model crashed here two years ago.

It made two slow circuits around Le Bourget airport and then landed without incident, for the show from Moscow a week ago.—AP.

Mutual recriminations on eve of Cyprus talks

Vienna, June 4.—Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, gave a warning today that no decisive results should be expected when Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders meet here tomorrow in an attempt to thrash out a peace formula for the island.

He said he hoped "limited progress" could be made. "I would like to state here strongly that the positions of the two sides are still far apart and, therefore, we cannot reckon with a political breakthrough during this second round", he said.

Dr Waldheim was the first of those taking part in the talks to arrive in Vienna. He was being followed by Mr Glafkos Clerides, the Greek Cypriot leader, and Mr Rauf Denktash, leader of the Turkish community.

The issue facing the negotiators is how to split Cyprus into regions in which each community will feel secure. The last round of talks ended on May 3.

The Turkish community is pressing for virtual partition of the island into two zones, with a central government exercising limited overall functions. The Greeks want a number of cantons under a strong central administration.

Ankara: Mr Denktash told correspondents before leaving here after talks with Mr Demirel, the Turkish Prime Minister, that there was no hope of a settlement in Vienna. He was attending the talks only to avoid Greek Cypriot complaints that Turkey was sal taging the talks.

He was "trying to start t ball rolling in the right dir tion and, if we have achiev that, we have achieved a lot He was unprepared for the counter with Mr Clerides, ho ever, because the joint Turki Greek Cypriot commission h been unable to make progre on deciding what powers a c tral government should have Cyprus.

The Turkish Cypriot side h been forced to halt their wo to defend themselves agai Greek Cypriot complaints to t European Human Rights Co mission in Strasbourg.

"We gave them the choic propaganda or talks", Mr Den tash said. "They double-cross us by telling us they h applied for an adjournme when they had not."—Reuter.

Nicosia: President Makari today accused Turkey of usi delaying tactics. Nearly a ye after the Turkish invasion Cyprus, there was still no pr gress towards the implement tion of United Nations resol tions, he said.

"Turkey is . . . using th intervening time to consolidat the *de facto* situation create by military force. When w denounce these tactics, we a accused by the Turkish Cypri leadership of indulging in aut Turkish propaganda.

"It is my feeling that th Turkish side, continuing th same delaying tactics, wi avoid, under various pretext making any clear proposals. hope to be proved wrong."—AI

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From Michael Knipe
...ape Town, June 4

South Africa's United Party, ...e main parliamentary opposi...on, came under sharp attack ...day for its participation in the ...e Grange (formerly Schle...usch) commission, which ...cused the anti-apartheid ...hristian Institute of being a ...ubversive organization. Three ...embers of the party sat on ...he commission and signed its ...eport.

Mrs Helen Suzman, the Pro...gressive Party MP, described ...he three as "pitiful defenders ...f the rule of law", and added ...hat the party had played an ...ignoble role" on the parlia...mentary commission.

The inquiry into the Christ...an Institute, she said, was not ...held in the interests of state ...ecurity. "It was a twentieth ...century inquisition, a 'heresy ...trial' of Dr Beyers Naude (the ...Institute's director) and of his ...colleagues who dared defy the ...church establishment.

"I believe the entire Western ...world will be shocked at the ...vicious hostility displayed by ...the South African Government and its official opposition to this gentle rebel (Dr Naude), whose aims are common to all civilized men", Mrs Suzman stated. The frayed unity of the United Party has been seriously strained by the commission's report. At least 10 of its members are believed to be unhappy with the commission's findings.

In today's parliamentary debate, the party's chief spokesman on justice avoided expressing his opinion, criticizing instead the Government's procedure in declaring the Christian Institute an "affected organization" (thus cutting off its foreign funds) after the publication of the report.

He said the commissioners had acted as individuals and their findings did not bind the party.

Mr Louis Le Grange, the commission's chairman, said the National Party was prepared to go to the electorate with the report and its recommendations.

Our Geneva Correspondent writes: A report on apartheid put before the International Labour Organization's conference, which opened here today, says there have been as yet no perceptible signs of any change of policy despite Mr Vorster's appeal six months ago to political commentators that they should "give South Africa a chance of about six months".

The report, by M Francis Blanchard, ILO's director-general, says economic factors may have invalidated some of the basic premises on which apartheid policies have been based, but they will not in themselves ensure the disappearance of apartheid as long as the whites remain determined to maintain political, economic and social privileges.

However, the combination of pressures for change, and especially the recent changes just beyond the country's borders, should bring home to responsible circles in South Africa "the awareness that the time still left to effect the fundamental changes necessary to avoid a destructive racial confrontation is fast running out".



The crew of the 10,031-ton British cargo ship Amra are taken off by tug after it was rammed in the harbour of Kobe, Japan.

Mr Ford speaks of new sense of unity in Nato

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, June 4

President Ford today told West Point graduates he had found a new sense of unity in Nato and a new confidence, among the allies, in the United States. He also pledged that America would now use its unique position "to help promote a peaceful solution" in the Middle East.

The President, understandably sounding a little tired, was up and off by air to the United States military academy less than six hours after he got back in the small hours today to the White House from his long flight home from Europe.

In his speech to the Army cadet graduating class, Mr Ford cut through some of the more implausible rhetoric that has come out of the Nato summit to insist on the point which Europeans and other allies will be watching.

He said: "Fortunately, I did not find that degree of doubt among the leaders with whom I met requiring such extensive reassurance, nor would mere words be enough to convince these practical political leaders.

"What has impressed them, and what will impress them, are demonstrations of the essential unity of America in the pursuit of our national goals at home and abroad."

Mr Ford meant the unity with Congress he still has failed to secure. His renewed determination today "to fight hard to prevent" Congressionally imposed cuts in defence expenditure indicates that general agreement will still not be found.

While he has been in Europe, the "great debate" has begun in Congress on defence and foreign policy, and some cut seems inevitable.

However, the Senate today rejected an attempt by liberal Democrats to impose a ceiling on new weapons expenditure which would have been far lower than the Pentagon requested. This is one round for Mr Ford.

Another "convincing demonstration to our allies and adversaries that Americans have lost neither their nerve nor their national will", Mr Ford said, would be congressional adoption of a programme to make the United States fully independent in energy. It is an issue on which, again, he has serious differences with the Congress.

Mr Ford seemed to be telling the cadets that he had learnt from his European trip both how much "the free world watches the United States", and the fact that it is action rather than assurances that count.

"All of the encouraging declarations of commitment to mutual defence and mutual progress which I heard at the Nato summit . . . will be meaningless unless the industrial democracies have assured sources of energy to power both their economic and military efforts. Once again the United States is looked to for leadership and example."

Three times Mr Ford reminded his audience it would all cost a price. "Of course energy independence is going to cost us something, of course an adequate level of defence is going to cost us something. But the price of sacrifice is far less than the price of failure."

The President insisted it did still serve a purpose "to remind ourselves, our friends, and our potential adversaries that Americans are still prepared to pay the price of freedom—that we will honour our commitments, that we will do our duty".

In a brief reference to his European meetings, Mr Ford said he found the Nato summit "most encouraging" and the Pope's admonition "most inspiring", to let right and justice guide his efforts.

"I am convinced our major alliances are strong and firm, I am convinced our allies' confidence in us is not misplaced. I am convinced our cause is just and right", the President declared.

What effect the European visit will have on Mr Ford's political standing here is difficult to say. Certainly, the news coverage of his progress was generally friendly. Some commentators, however, suggested sourly it was up to the disarrayed Nato allies to make some impression on the Americans rather than vice versa.

More importantly, if Mr Ford's evident "hitting it off" with President Sadat is the prelude to genuine movement towards Middle East peace, then his will be the glory.

Report on murdered MP debated in Kenya

Nairobi, June 4.—The Kenya Parliament today defeated a Government attempt to postpone debate on a report accusing senior police officers of trying to cover up the murder of Mr Josiah Mwangi Kariuki, a crusading MP.

The report linked Mr Ben Gethi, commander of the paramilitary Police General Service Unit, with the murder on March 2 and accused other officers of knowing who shot Mr Kariuki and of obstructing investigation.

Vice-President Daniel Arap Moi and Mr Charles Njonjo, the Attorney-General, sought to postpone debate because more time was needed to study the report, the work of a parliamentary select committee. Their move was defeated overwhelmingly by a voice vote.

Mr Elikah Mwangale, chairman of the committee, told the House that he and his colleagues had concluded that Mr Gethi and other police officers were the people who took Mr Kariuki from the Hilton hotel on the night he was shot dead. His body was dumped later in the Ngong hills outside Nairobi.

Adding a detail, not in the report, Mr Mwangale said that Mr Ignatius Nderi, director of the Criminal Investigation Department and one of the police officers the committee wanted removed, had threatened to arrest him during the committee's investigations.

"The police effort to cover up the whole matter is shocking", he said. "Even Nderi threatened to have me arrested. I told him he should try it."

Mr Mark Mwithaga, another committee member, said it had evidence to show that police were rounding up and intimidating witnesses before Mr Kariuki's death was known publicly.

Some witnesses were threatened with being shot if they dared to tell the committee the truth, he alleged, and a taxi driver who had been at the Hilton had been tortured and made deaf by the police.

Mr Mwithaga said: "We cannot tolerate torture chambers in an independent Kenya.

Governor joins twin New York battles

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, June 4

Mr Hugh Carey, the Governor of New York State, has emerged as a central figure in the two crises now affecting New York City. He is trying to find solutions both to the city's financial crisis threatening bankruptcy and the work stoppage by many of the doctors which is now in its fourth day.

Today, he was due to meet doctors' representatives in Albany, the state capital, to try to persuade them to call off their action. At the same time, negotiations were continuing on a plan, put forward by Mr Carey, by which a new state agency would take over the repayment of New York City's debts.

There is not much time for dealing with the financial crisis because the city has to make more payments this week, and a large one of $792m (about £344m) next Wednesday. Hard bargaining is still progressing between state and city representatives over the details.

The main trouble is that, in return for helping out the city, state officials demand closer control in future of its fiscal policies to ensure that it does not go heavily into debt again. This is angrily rejected by many city officials; and Mr Abraham Beame, the Mayor, has proposed that the state take over a number of the city's expenses, such as the City University.

Both Mr Beame and Mr Carey are Democrats, which makes for easier relations now between New York and Albany than there have been sometimes in the past. But there tends to be a fundamental antagonism between the sprawling city at the mouth of the Hudson and the rest of the state.

The doctors are on strike not just in New York itself, but also in some of the suburbs. They are protesting against the sharply increased cost of insurance against malpractice suits, and want new legislation which would limit the possibility of suing, as well as restricting the fees charged by lawyers.

Mr Carey's view is that the doctors should wait and see how recently adopted legislation works out—with the possibility of changes if it does not.

Greek ex-King can stand for presidency

From Our Correspondent
Athens, June 4

Former King Constantine of the Hellenes will be able to stand for the presidency in Greece after the elimination by Parliament yesterday of a constitutional provision disqualifying members of the deposed Greek royal family from being appointed or elected.

The ban was rescinded in a surprise move by a show of hands at about 3 am when barely 40 out of the 300 deputies were present at the voting of the last article of the new constitution.

The presence among them of Government deputies known for their royalist leanings, induced the opposition press to declare that this constituted a minor revolt against the leadership of the New Democracy, the ruling party, which had included the ban in the original draft.

Speakers at the brief debate emphasized that they opposed the ban on the royal family because it violated the principle of equality among citizens. The former king and his descendants, they argued, remained Greek citizens and there was no reason to deny them their rights.

Parliament has just concluded the voting on the articles of the new constitution. The charter is to be approved as a whole at a solemn ceremony later this week. The charter goes into force on June 16 and the President of the Republic must be elected by Parliament before August 16.

US hand in Brazilian atom safeguard pact

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, June 4

Concern in the Senate over the West German sale to Brazil of a complete nuclear fuel processing plant has disclosed that America intervened actively to secure a safeguard treaty between the two countries.

According to American officials, Brazil turned to West Germany when the United States refused to sell the plant. Official American intercession with the Bonn Government to forgo the sale, because of the potential nuclear weapons capability thus granted to Brazil, was rebuffed.

It was then that the United States persuaded both countries to conclude a special safeguard treaty with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as a third party. The plant thus presumably will be open to IEA inspection at all stages.

American concern has not, it seems, entirely abated. The Brazilians say they want the system only for electric power production. But the Administration here is concerned over the comprehensive nature of the plant and the precedent set. Until now, apparently, international sales have tended to be in components. This is said to be the first time "a complete nuclear fuel cycle system" has been sold.

It consists of a uranium enrichment facility, a fuel fabrication unit, reactors, and units for reprocessing spent fuel into plutonium that is potentially "weapons grade".

Miss Dixy Lee Ray, Assistant Secretary of State and formerly chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, disclosed in an interview here that Libya had also been turned down by the United States.

She suggested the Administration's stringent position on safeguards was "self-defeating".

Washington, June 4.—West Germany has agreed to insist on stringent safeguards, beyond those required by the International Atomic Energy Agency, in concluding the sale of the nuclear plant, a State Department said today.

American officials are privately critical of the agency's safeguards because they provide for the detection of any misuse of nuclear materials rather than preventing the diversion of nuclear fuel for weapons.

The State Department's spokesman declined today to describe the agency's safeguards as inadequate. But he said it could be assumed that the United States would seek to convince other nations to apply more stringent safeguards than those required by the agency in any similar sales.—Reuter.

President wins battle over jobs Bill

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, June 4

President Ford today narfight with Congress when the Democrats' Bill to create 840,000 public service jobs for the unemployed this summer, and 900,000 more later, failed to win the required majority.

A two-thirds vote was needed to override Mr Ford's veto which he imposed saying the $5,000m (about £2,120m) bill was inflationary and too late. The vote was five short of that needed.

It was a blow to the Democratic leadership. They had made the jobs programme central to their alternative recovery programme.

Mr Smith drops conditions for talks with ANC

Salisbury, June 4.—Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, confirmed today that conditions for holding constitutional talks with the African National Council (ANC).

Dr Gordon Chavunduka, the ANC secretary-general, told a press conference earlier this week that both sides had agreed to do away with preconditions. He said this meant that African guerrillas would not have to observe a ceasefire and the Government would not have to release any more nationalist detainees.

Informed sources said today that the first round of talks would not take place until next week.

The bishop was due to return to Salisbury today from a overseas tour, but, instead stopped Ndabaningi Sithole, is staying. Mr Sithole, formerly under detention in Rhodesia, is an executive member of the ANC.

Our Salisbury correspondent writes: A police spokesman said today that arrests had been made in recent days on charges of recruiting for guerrilla training, but he denied harassment of any particular political group as alleged by Dr Edson Sithole, the ANC publicity secretary. Dr Sithole said most of those arrested were former members of the Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu).

Initial success for curb on cars in Singapore

From Our Correspondent
Singapore, June 4

The Singapore scheme to cut down traffic in the city's central business district seems, after three days, to be a success. Streets normally jammed during morning rush hours have been unclogged and the still tougher measures the Government has hinted at may not be necessary.

Under the scheme, said to be the first of its kind in the world, a motorist who works by day in the centre of Singapore must choose one of the following courses:

Leaving his car at home and going by bus.

Entering the central district either before 7.30 am, when controls are imposed, or after 9.30 am, when they are lifted.

Travelling in a car with at least three other people, thus gaining an exemption under a computerized pooling scheme.

Parking his car in one of 15 new parks round the fringe of the central district and riding to work on a small shuttle bus, for a combined payment of around £5 or £6 a month.

Paying £25 or £30 a month for a licence to drive into the central district during restricted hours and park there. So far about 4,400 monthly licences have been sold.

The scheme applies equally to all motorists, including ministers and senior public servants. An appeal by diplomats for exemption has been refused.

While more open central streets have been gained, partly at the expense of some traffic jams round the edge of the district, the great gain seems to be in people leaving their cars at home and travelling by bus.

Once inside the central district, the buses can now easily keep to schedule. Some planners predict that this better service will result in basic commuting changes, despite the Singaporean's notorious devotion to his car.

Newspaper lawyers and journalists attempt to persuade senators to redraft stringent new legislation governing official secrets

American press bargains to preserve its freedom

From Fred Emery
Washington, June 4

News organizations in the United States are trying to have deleted a part of a proposed law that is tantamount to an official secrets act.

Lawyers for several large newspapers as well as members of a reporters' committee are having a meeting today with staff members of at least three liberal senators.

The newspaper representatives find unacceptable sections of the Act relating to espionage and the theft of Government secrets.

The leading senator involved in the talks is Senator Birch Bayh, one of the co-sponsors of the new criminal code drafted under Senator John McClellan, chairman of the judiciary subcommittee on criminal laws.

It is now being said that Mr Bayh sponsored the code only on the understanding that he could have his amendments accepted later.

Civil libertarians who object to other provisions of the proposed code such as a return to capital punishment, had been counting on the "First Amendment Mafia" as press defenders are called, to sabotage the Bill.

Reports of the press "doing a deal" to achieve new laws that it can live with, are causing rapid rethinking. What the House of Representatives might do with its companion Bill is another matter.

The whole issue is an explosive one. Any attempt to restrict the public's right to know can, in the end, be counted on to raise a howl.

The howl is, of course, not universal. The recent refusal by the Supreme Court to allow Mr Victor Marchetti to break his contract with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and publish all the facts he wants to, has not been taken up as a crusade.

A more fascinating constitutional point is that Mr John Marks, his co-author of the book The Cult of Intelligence, has been similarly gagged. The Supreme Court justices' thinking on the matter has not been revealed, but it is apparent that Mr Marks, who had no contract with the CIA saw his First Amendment freedoms "tainted" by association with Mr Marchetti.

But what is being opposed in the proposed new law affects everyday news. If its provisions were to be taken literally, it is doubtful whether those who reported the CIA's recovery of the Soviet submarine or the alleged CIA planning of assassinations of foreign leaders could have escaped prosecution.

It might have been risky, too, to report explanations of the Pentagon Budget, unless officially authorized.

Congressional sources pleaded that they were not trying to "get" at the press, only those who leaked information. The receipt of a leaked secret by a newspaperman was not being made an offence. This eliminated the notion of "stolen" goods, which is, in any case, strenuously argued here as the United States Government possesses no copyright.

However, a newspaperman's subsequent communication of a leaked secret—showing it to his editor, for example—even without its being published, would have become a crime.

There were to have been two offences: of "disclosing" and "mishandling" what for the first time is being redefined as "national defence information". The law would have applied to all who had ever been "in authorized possession", and the unauthorized would have been guilty if they refused promptly to return the information (if in the form of a document) to those empowered to reclaim it.

The definition of "national defence information" alarmed the reporters' committee. It included "military capability of the United States or of an associate nation . . . military planning . . . weapons development . . . intelligence operations, activities, plans, estimates, analyses . . . and intelligence with regard to a foreign power".

Another offence proposed in the Bill was simply that of "disclosing classified information". In essence, it would have punished the leaker, not the recipient, who is expressly exempted.

Most people, even those working for the press, agree that espionage laws should have bite. But Senator McClellan's drafters, trying to ensure that there will not be a re-play by budding Daniel Ellsbergs, evidently went too far.

Fresh fighting reported in Ethiopia

Addis Ababa, June 4.—Fighting was reported in eastern Ethiopia today between Government forces and supporters of a semi-independent Muslim sultan who controls a fifth of the country.

Diplomatic sources said Ethiopian Air Force aircraft bombed and strafed targets around Assaita, the small town where Sultan Ali Mirrah Hanfere lives.

The military regime which ousted Emperor Haile Selassie last September has been fighting scattered rebellions by monarchists and others in at least 10 of Ethiopia's 14 provinces. The most serious has been in Eritrea, which nearly led to civil war in February.—AP.

Peronist group kills steel plant manager

Rosario, Argentina, June 4.—Senor Raul Amelong, the production manager of a steel plant, was shot dead and his daughter wounded in an ambush by leftist guerrillas as he drove to work early today, police sources said.

Senor Amelong, who was 53, was killed in a residential area of the city. The Montoneros, left-wing Peronist guerrillas, said they were responsible for the murder.

It brought to 236 Argentine's death toll in political violence so far this year. Leftist guerrillas, the police, the armed forces and right-wing death squads are involved in the violence.—UPI.

Renewed clashes in Angola

Luanda, June 4.—Fresh outbreaks of fighting were reported today in the oil-rich enclave of Cabinda and the northern Angolan coffee town of Carmona after weekend clashes in which 11 people were killed.

Shooting broke out yesterday in and round the town of Cabinda and its airport was closed. The authorities claimed that order had been restored, but unconfirmed reports reaching here today said fighting had resumed.

A Luanda businessman in contact with a branch office of his firm in Cabinda said Portuguese residents this afternoon were evacuating their homes, offices and shops and seeking safety near the harbour under the protection of Portuguese troops and integrated units of the liberation movements.

The Luanda newspaper O Comercio said today 11 soldiers of the National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA) and the rival Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) were killed in the Cabinda clashes over the weekend.

At least 29 soldiers and civilians were said to have been wounded in Carmona. The town was said to be lacking water and electricity and was short of food. Several hundred whites have taken refuge in the Portuguese Army barracks on the outskirts of the town.

But the barracks also came under fire and two soldiers of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (Unita) were wounded there when their office was hit by a mortar.

The FNLA, MPLA and Unita share power with Portugal in Angola's transitional Government, which is ruling the territory until full independence from Portugal in November.

In Luanda, where a midnight to 6 am curfew is in force, tension continued high, with dockers still on strike, refugees from the provinces seeking passage to Portugal, and a scarcity of information.

Luanda radio today broadcast an MPLA statement accusing the FNLA of causing the trouble in Cabinda.

Cabinda, which last year exported oil worth £280m, is recognized as an integral part of Angola by Portugal and the three main liberation movements.

In brief

Supertanker runs aground

Tokyo, June 4.—Thousands of gallons of crude oil from a ruptured main tank poured into the sea after the 228,136-ton Japanese supertanker Eiko Maru ran aground in Tokyo Bay early today.

An oil slick covered the water up to half a mile round the tanker, and a fleet of 32 vessels, including oil pumping ships, was fighting the oil leaks.

Niagara daredevils

Niagara Falls, Ontario, June 4.—A Frenchwoman rode upside down across the Niagara gorge today hanging by one foot from a motor cycle balanced on a greasy cable. Her husband stood on the motor cycle and another man drove

Aid for Bikini people

Washington, June 4. — The Senate has voted to give the people of the Bikini atoll $3m (about £1.3m) for hardships suffered since being removed from their homes for the 1946 atomic tests.

Karamanlis visit

Bled, Yugoslavia, June 4.—Mr Karamanlis, the Greek Prime Minister has arrived here for talks about the international situation, Balkan relations and bilateral issues.

Martial law stays

Ankara, June 4.—The Turkish Parliament has approved a month's extension of martial law in four provinces, including Istanbul and Ankara, despite opposition from the Republican People's Party.

Dead Briton named

Christchurch, June 4.—The Briton who was one of three men killed by an avalanche near Mount Cook, New Zealand's highest mountain, has been named as Mr John Roger, aged 27, of Edinburgh.

Damascus guest

Damascus, June 4.—President Assad will pay his first visit to Jordan on Sunday. King Husain visited Damascus earlier this year.

11 die in gun fight

Delhi, June 4.—Seventeen people died in a gun battle yesterday between police and a group of Maoist extremists in the state of Bihar.

US doctor goes on working in Da Nang

Saigon, June 4.—The only American doctor who remained behind in Da Nang after the communist takeover has told colleagues that he is being paid for hospital services in piastres, of the old regime, and rice.

Dr Thomas Hoskins, a Quaker worker attached to the Quaker medical centre in Quang Ngai, said in a letter to colleagues here that he stayed behind in Da Nang's German-Vietnamese hospital with four doctors of the previous South Vietnamese regime.

He said they continued work there until the end of May when they were "invited to leave the hospital" and go to work in the Da Nang general hospital. All were given letters of introduction.

He said he was paid the same as everyone else in the hospital with 11b of rice and 3,000 piastres a month. This was "quite a change" for doctors who previously had earned 150,000 piastres a month, he said.

On leaving, he was given a "delicious feast complete with excellent German beer" and a salary increase. For the first half of June he was given 20lb of rice and 1,500 piastres and for the second half 20,000 piastres.

Dr Hoskins said he has asked to stay on but still has not had a reply. He said his name has been Vietnamized in the meantime to "Nguyen Van Tom", and added: "Every office we went into was thrown into confusion because here was a long nose without the expected name."

Dr Hoskins said the city is normal and peaceful and much quieter due to reduced traffic, but the market is full and the port is bustling with activity. He said he had seen rice bags being unloaded from a ship and carried into warehouses.

Thousands of refugees who clogged the streets just before the takeover have gone home, as have former soldiers who surrendered to the revolutionaries.

With the exception of items like beer or cigarettes, the prices of most commodities have remained either the same as before the takeover or risen slightly. Banks have not yet opened, but officials are being paid in rice as well as in cash.

Dr Hoskins said that before the communist takeover, he contacted the "Alliance for National Democratic and Peace Forces" and began tending wounded patients in the emergency ward of the German-Vietnamese hospital. His first contact with a communist doctor came four days after the takeover. "I straightened up from examining a patient on a stretcher", he said, and "discovered a liberation cadre with his hand extended to mine."—Reuter.

Foreign journalists told to leave South Vietnam

Saigon, June 4.—Eight foreign journalists have been asked by the Vietnamese authorities to leave South Vietnam. The four Japanese, three Americans and one West German were told yesterday by the foreign relations section of the military management committee that the authorities were cutting back on the number of foreign correspondents in the country.

Among the Americans asked to leave was Mr Paul Vogle, who has lived in South Vietnam for more than 18 years, speaks the language fluently, and is considered by other journalists to be one of the few foreigners who understand the Vietnamese people intimately. He has worked in recent years for United Press International and the American Broadcasting Company.

A second UPI employee, Mr Chad Huntley, was also asked to leave. The third American is Mr George Esper, bureau chief of Associated Press, who has worked in Vietnam for almost 10 years.

The West German is Herr Dieter Ludwig, a freelance cameraman, who has been working for Time magazine and the Columbia Broadcasting System.

UPI and AP are left with one American each representing them in Saigon. Another American has been working for CBS since the revolutionary forces entered Saigon on April 30. These three are the only American reporters left.

Eight Americans and four other foreigners, who were captured in March are alive and well, although under detention, in the Central Highlands, reports reaching Saigon said yesterday.—Reuter and UPI.

British soldier drowned in Canada

From Our Correspondent
Ottawa, June 4

A British soldier has been drowned and another injured in a canoeing accident on the North Saskatchewan river in Alberta.

The men belonged to The Life Guards, part of a British Army of the Rhine unit training at Suffield, Alberta. They were taking part yesterday in an exercise that involved climbing, canoeing and rock-walking.

A British Army spokesman said the accident occurred when four canoes and a kayak were swamped in rough water. It was feared that as many as six men had been drowned, but the five survivors were located after a search of the shore.

BOOKS

Where there's a Will

Narrative and Dramatic Sources of Shakespeare

Volume Eight, the Romances
Edited by Geoffrey Bullough
(Routledge, £6.50)

Shakespeare's Last Plays

A New Approach
By Frances A. Yates
(Routledge, £3.25)

If we no longer believe that *Cymbeline* was thrown together without discernible purpose, our first debt is to G. Wilson Knight who wrote one of the most convincing and heartfelt defences of the play, allowing within its deliberate structure even the vision of Jupiter often omitted from stage performances as the hired work of an attendant hack. *Cymbeline* was Shakespeare's "British" play, and Jupiter's message had a part in it. "Is it possible", Wilson Knight asked in *The Crown of Life* (1946), "that twentieth-century scholarship is merely attributing to Shakespeare its own dislike of the visionary and the supernatural?" It was very possible.

Less so now. Three remarkable and sometimes contradictory shifts of academic inquiry and public taste have occurred since Professor Wilson Knight took his stand on the benevolent transcendentalism of the last plays and since he also, in the same book, rejected a study of Shakespeare's historical context—"politics, patronages, audiences, revolutions and explorations"—in order to concentrate on what he called simply the "poetic quality and human interest of the plays concerned". A boom in the campus industry of content-hunting has maintained an opposite line to Knight's work, but an increasing interest at all levels of culture and society, in those very same elements of the visionary and the supernatural, has confirmed it; we have, joyfully, rediscovered seventeenth-century opera and the techniques of the Masque.

It is characteristic of Frances A. Yates's position in the imaginative scholarship of the Renaissance that her "new approach" to *Cymbeline*, *Henry VIII* and *The Tempest* (she claims no more for it) should be both historical *and* visionary. For instance, she supports Wilson Knight's intuitive view of *Cymbeline* by dense reference to her own particular field of recorded political iconography and received myth, showing how closely linked the play was to the aspirations of the new court.

Following Elizabeth was the toughest job possible, and the first British Stuart King was desperate to establish his direct descent from the first Tudor one, who had landed at Milford-haven in 1485 to begin the victorious campaign that ended at Bosworth. Emrys Jones seems to have been the first scholar to note that the frequency of references to Henry VII's landing place in *Cymbeline*—he counted seven Milfords and nine Milford Havens—passes beyond the merely fortuitous into the positively intentional: it is the point from which all good things—the noble Roman, the returning Posthumus—emerge, and whence the innocent Imogen flees to meet them.

Wilson Knight and Jones established respectively the "national" and specifically "Stuart" identities of the play, and Dr Yates richly colours in the firm outlines of their work by indicating innumerable correspondences between the imagery and events of the action and those associated with King James and his two eldest children: the phenomenal Henry, Prince of Wales, and the gifted Princess Elizabeth. More of them in a minute. Suffice it to say that the argument on *Cymbeline* seems much the best proven in *Shakespeare's Last Plays*, that it supplies the missing context of consistency noted by Jones in 1961 and that if Samuel Johnson had been able to read it, he might still have remarked the folly of the fiction but would have been far less justified in complaining, with a memorable lack of mercy, at its confusion and absurdity.

On *The Tempest* Dr Yates is openly more speculative. She suggests not merely that John Dee was the model for Prospero but that Shakespeare intended positively to defend Dee's disgraced memory before the King himself (which would have shown great courage) and against Ben Jonson's vicious cartoon of the great Elizabethan magus in *The Alchemist* (1610), a play in which all forms of the new learning—science, mathematics, magic and anything in between—were dismissed as base quackery. Shakespeare was an Elizabethan who survived under James, but looked for the revival of Elizabethan values under his talented children. All the late plays are suffused with a benign sense of strife ended by a new generation: *Henry VIII* concludes with the birth of the future Queen Elizabeth, but clearly refers to the wedding of her Jacobean namesake; Prospero effects the entire drama of *The Tempest* for the enlightenment of Miranda, and later of Ferdinand, who will succeed to the villainous world of their elders. "Thou mettest with things dying, I with things new born": the whole of *The Winter's Tale*, to which Dr Yates does not give separate attention, hinges on the hope of a second chance, a hope much in the air of 1610 when, perhaps for the first time in living memory, there was no serious fighting on the Continent of Europe. This year also marked the murder of Henri IV to whose role as European peacemaker King James VI and I aspired, and for a time, succeeded.

Although Dr Yates writes, as ever, with an exhilarating clarity, *Shakespeare's Last Plays: A New Approach* is a slighter volume than its predecessors, and is intended, she tells us, to point younger scholars in the right direction: might *The Tempest*, for example, just possibly be the great secret masterpiece of the Rosicrucian Enlightenment? The shortish book comprises the four Northcliffe Lectures delivered at University College last year, plus the chapter on Jonson and an introductory synthesis of her work, masterly in itself, showing how all the strands of enquiry, beginning with Giordano Bruno's "dissemination of a magical philosophy which would do away with all religious differences on a level of love and magic" seemed to suggest an influence of one sort or another on the greatest creative genius of the age—the poet who, whatever else is unknown about him, was one of the most suggestible artists who ever lived. If an idea or a feeling was in the air *at the time*, William Shakespeare would sniff it on the wind.

What, if anything, he made of it is not Dr Yates's present concern. It has, of course, always been the concern of Professor Wilson Knight, as it is the chief one of Geoffrey Bullough's valuable series, *Narrative and Dramatic Sources of Shakespeare*. In the final volume, in which *Cymbeline*, *The Winter's Tale* and *The Tempest* are grouped under the defiantly pre-Knight title of "Romances" (which always seems to absolve the enquiring reader of all but the simplest problems of interpretation) you will find no reference to the work of Frances Yates, although you will find the relevant extracts from Holinshed, Boccaccio, the Virginian voyages, etc., much common sense from Professor Bullough and measured summaries of modern mainstream research.

Michael Ratcliffe



G. F. Watts, a 'photograph from Life by Frederick Hollyer', in G. K. Chesterton's biography, reissued, with an introduction by Quentin Bell (Duckworth, £4.95).

Aiming for the stars

'England's Michelangelo'

A biography of George Frederic Watts
By Wilfrid Blunt
(Hamish Hamilton, £8.50)

In the days when one of my less congenial duties was occasionally to call on the Postmaster-General, I used sometimes to restore my faith in a human capacity for disinterestedness by spending a few moments in the small gardens behind Sr Martin's-le-Grand, commonly called Postman's Park. For there, under a portico, was a wall lined with Doulton tiles, each one commemorating a man, woman, or child who had given his or her life to save another's. An inscription announced that the inspirer and donor of the memorial had been George Frederic Watts.

It was in fact all that had come of his original project "to erect a great statue to Unknown Worth", an idea he had got from George Eliot. Modest as it was, it warmed one's heart to the old man. (Watts generally comes to mind as old. Possibly because he outlived most of his contemporaries; more probably because "Hope", the one picture that immediately identifies him, conveys the enervation of age rather than the ardour of youth.)

Watts had been an astonishing young man. Son of a piano maker who had sunk to piano old employed in the studio of the sculptor Behnes. (Watts was to turn powerfully to sculpting in his final phase.) At 16 he was selling portraits in pencil or chalk at five shillings a time. At 18 he was admitted to the Royal Academy Schools. At 20 he had three paintings accepted for the Summer Exhibition, one of them, "A Wounded Heron" being a near *masterpiece*. (Equally striking among the many illustrations in this book is Watts's self-portrait at 17.) With his winning of one of the first prizes for artists who might embellish the new Houses of Parliament, his career, and his life-style, were set.

The prize-money took him to Italy, to Lord Holland, and into English society. Lady Holland became the first of a line of women who sheltered him, cosseted him, mothered him, bossed him, and eventually feuded over him. Ironically, the best remembered event of his domestic life, his brief, foolish marriage to Ellen Terry, was of the least consequence. Mary, his second wife, whom he married when he was 69, and who, after giving him 18 years of happiness, became the architect of his memorial and the custodian of his fame, is relatively unknown.

Mr Blunt, curator of the Watts Gallery at Compton, which she created, has made a lively tapestry of the astonishing life, friendships, work, fortunes and misfortunes that filled the 87 years of the man whom Lord Leighton called "England's Michelangelo". His desire to include everything leads to some irrelevancies. At times his tone is rather unhappy. His biography does give a panoramic picture of a broad swathe of the Victorian Age, peopled with a host of its most eminent men and women.

Best of all, *England's Michelangelo* does justice to Watts's earnestness and sincerity, and his strong social conscience. He ate sparsely, with constant he wrote in later years "One thing alone I possess, and I never remember the time when I was without it—an aim towards the highest, the best, and a burning desire to reach it", Watts spoke no more than the truth. If his reputation has faded, as have some of his murals, Mr Blunt has done something to restore it.

William Haley

Red Army under fire

Nicholas Bethel

The Road to Stalingrad

Vol 1: Stalin's War with Germany
By John Erickson
(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £12).

Professor Erickson is one of the West's greatest authorities on the Soviet Army. In this new book he describes what is probably the most unsuccessful three years in that army's history, the period from the half-victory over Finland in the 1939-40 winter up to the eve of Stalingrad. A subsequent volume will cover the years of triumph and conquest.

In its beginning the story is a dismal and undignified one. The Red Army, its senior commanders under continual harassment and frequent arrest, put up a poor show against the Poles and the Finns in 1939. Stalin apparently believed that his pact with Hitler would last, for several years at least, until Germany and her two western enemies had exhausted one another. The Soviet Union would then be the most powerful nation in Europe. The fall of France upset this idea, but still Stalin seemed unwilling to believe that he had miscalculated. The most distrustful of men, he placed a strange reliance on the signature of the Nazi German government.

Early chapters of this book clearly show how absurd was this self-delusion. During his last year of peace Stalin was presented with a mass of evidence that should surely have convinced any reasonable man that he had been deceived. German aircraft were flying over his country taking photographs. One of these was shot down, camera and film and all, in April, 1941. Russian émigrés were being infiltrated across the frontier on reconnaissance missions. Anthony Eden and Sumner Welles were providing him with the most detailed information on the German plans, as was his spy Richard Sorge.

Stalin was blind and deaf to all such reports. According to Professor Erickson he would write "English provocation" across many of them and on the eve of the actual attack he ordered a German deserter to be shot for "disinformation". The man was a communist and had crossed the line to warn the Soviet Union of what was to happen. That same day Molotov spoke to German Ambassador von Schulenburg in a pathetic and whining tone:

The Soviet Government was unable to understand the reasons for Germany's dissatisfaction. . . . It would appreciate it if I could tell him what had brought about the present situation in German-Soviet relations.

The chapter headed "The Sunday Blow: 22 June 1941" is a thrill to read. Here one really appreciates the range of Professor Erickson's research and writing ability. He has combed Soviet and German archives, read the memoirs of the generals and interviewed some of them, including Marshal Koniev, in the Soviet Union. This is a very military book, and once the war starts the author gives little space to the diplomacy and propaganda accompanying the fighting.

The author's approach has been painstaking. He even quotes in the main text the serial numbers of operation orders. So there may come a point when the general reader will tire of the battles and wish for a little more explanation to put each incident in its context.

Fiction

Sleight of Heart

By M. T. Wadey
(Constable, £3.50)

The Hair of Harold Roux

By Thomas Williams
(Collins, £4)

The Carfitt Crisis

By J. B. Priestley
(Heinemann, £2.90)

Sleight of Heart provokes in both the good and the bad sense of the word. While M. T. Wadey has created a deeply disturbing atmosphere in which to explore her characters—she's caught that quality of malevolent sunlight which reproduces the photographed smile as a scowl—the exploration itself is a strikingly uneven mixture of strength and weakness.

Three friends "on the edge of middle-age" meet again in the Cornish cliff-top house where their childhood was spent. Esther and David are now uneasily married. Christopher, once the dominant figure, has become too concerned with the quick satisfaction of the body—food, drink and sex—to offer the more challenging demands of friendship anything but an indifferent response. "Home" is subtly different to the place they recall as children—the house itself is being altered and new faces have taken over the tenancy of the village near by. Even the qualities all three took to be fixed in one another have been dislocated by the currents of time leaving them without true friendship or, perhaps more sorely needed, total freedom from one another.

Their attempt to draw together is forlorn partly because *Miss Wadey intends* that it should be, partly because their characters—despite the attention lavished on them—remain somehow cerebral. There is so much *interior philosophic* disquisition it gunges up their breathing pores. Worse, it forces an irritable halt on the reader, rather as though he were continually obliged to stop and do up his shoe laces while hurrying for a train, as he pauses to unravel something that might be a complex thought or a plain thought in complex dress.

Nevertheless, the author has a real gift for visually memorable incident. And although the devices of flashback and tense-change often disrupt the flow as awkwardly as the philosophic bits, the suspense, which accompanies a prescience of death, is handled exceedingly well.

This is a first novel and it has faults but the name M. T. Wadey—*despite its phonic relationship* to E. L. Wisty—is one to be taken seriously.

The hair of Harold Roux is non-existent. His pale, prematurely bald pate is concealed by a toupé that fools nobody and forces Harold to avoid some of life's routine activities (like sex and swimming and bending over) so that they won't know he knows they know.

It's a very nice conceit, encompassing the complexities of a novel obsessed by the contradictions of appearance and reality, reality and fantasy, intellectual thought and direct action.

The character who restlessly pursues these matters is Aaron Benham, a middle-aged professor, mournfully resurrecting sexual dreams, forgetful of his beloved family, fond of a drink. Harold is the eponymous figure of *The Hair of Harold Roux*, a novel Aaron persistently writes in his head but never on paper.

Thomas Williams has done something cleverer than write a novel about a man writing a novel. He has presented three quite distinct stories, one about Aaron, one about Allard Benson, Harold's obnoxious college-mate and one enchanting legend which Aaron tells aloud to his children. Although I found a the gear changes tiresome at start with, as the stories relate more revealingly to one another *fusing in a final resolution*, which began as a cool admiration for Williams's schemata became total absorption.

In a letter to his publisher *printed as a form of preface* to *The Carfitt Crisis* (two novellas and a short story), J. B. Priestley says he won't take offence if the reader views them as the old writer's toys. He also says they contain ideas important to our age and that they—the novellas—were originally conceived for the stage.

Mr Priestley is old enough and distinguished enough to have his toys and to be trusted when he says his playing has serious purpose, but the fact that the main stories fail precisely because they are stagey. *The Carfitt Crisis* a group of boring, wealthy people all in separate stages of crisis are sorted out by a magician-butler who shows them the value of humility and tolerance. The *Pavillion of Masks*—set in mid-nineteenth century Germany—plays a courtesan, a prince, a poet, a banker, a politician and a charlatan. All are equally vain and awful but the charlatan triumphs because, adept at deceiving others, he understands the nature of deceit as well to be anything but truthful with himself.

By leaving the dialogue to the work, the effect is one of people making exits and entrances or standing still and shouting at one another. It may not work, but I like Mr Priestley for demonstrating that nobody is ever too old or too distinguished to have a bush.

Jacky Gillott

Thundering on

The French Revolution

Extracts from The Times 1789-1794. Edited by Neal Ascherson
(Times Books, £3 and £1.75)

The American Civil War

Extracts from The Times 1860-1865. Edited by Hugh Brogan
(Times Books, £3.25 and £1.95)

National Government, 1931

Extracts from The Times, January to October 1931. Edited by Colin Bell
(Times Books, £3.25 and £1.95)

The ephemeral nature of his writing is sometimes a relief; sometimes a regret to the journalist and attempts to give it permanence between hard covers are likely to arouse equally mixed feelings. The demands of writing primarily at the moment and for the moment allow shortcomings not permissible in historians.

In two of the periods covered by these selections the paper is considered by the book's editors to have taken quite the wrong line. Hugh Brogan says unequivocally that "*The Times* made a fool of itself over the American civil war." and Colin Bell that 1931 "is not a period in which *The Times* distinguished itself for wisdom, clarity or prescience". Even Neal Ascherson, basically more impressed with the coverage of the French Revolution, still reveals that reports were often late, inaccurate or even fabricated ("the roasting alive of the naked daughters of noblemen, for example").

None of this, however, makes *The Times* less significant. In each period *The Times* mattered because it not merely informed but also formed intelligent opinion at home and was generally acknowledged to represent that opinion abroad. Perhaps it was wrong to vilify the well-disposed Abraham Lincoln on to take such "sober satisfaction" in the election result of 1931. But such views are still historically important.

Selection has obviously posed numerous problems and for reasons of balance duller items are included: particularly some sanctimoniously turgid leaders and especially that for New Year's Day 1931. Pieces with the most lasting value are some of the eye-witness reports from *The Times* correspondents: Russell's "The defeat at Manassas" is a model of war reporting highly personal though it is and full of marvellously telling touches. In the same volume a description of "distress in the cotton districts" based on a visit to Preston is a different sort of model, which with its marriage of statistics and anecdotes suggests the best of "Insight".

The Times man in Paris during the revolution, however, contributes the most memorable dispatches allowing his royalist prejudices and Gallic enthusiasms to intrude to great effect. The execution of an invalid with a wooden leg and a young hairdresser caught "having imprudently concealed themselves under the boards which form the ascent to the altar of liberty with an intention as it was said to peep at the ladies' legs through holes which they had bored for that purpose" would delight Professor Cobb himself. So would the description of Marat's funeral with four women carrying the bathing machine in which he was assassinated and "his shirt stained with blood was carried by another Amazon at the top of a pike".

Best of all this caches of special correspondents exhibits a fine and exemplary disregard for his own safety. "At the instant of my closing this letter", he writes, "the people are entering my house armed to search it. I suppose it is in search of firearms—adieu". It is a style of line that war correspondents have been plagiarizing ever since.

Tim Heald

City in embryo

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The Shaping of a City
By Christopher N. L. Brooke
with Gillian Keir
(Secker & Warburg, £8)

So much medieval history, writes Professor Brooke, has been dissolved "into a rainbow of constitutional abstractions". Much has also been lost, distorted or destroyed which makes the present task—to invoke a living medieval London—a difficult and "long detective enterprise".

In an arresting combination of images, the foggy opening of *Bleak House* and some observations on the sun-splashed hill towns of Italy are used to draw us backwards. The first reminds us of the difficulty, the second that bare bones are still there waiting for us to peel away the layers of the succeeding centuries. The authors have not attempted to embrace everything in a simple narrative, but have tackled each factor that contributes to a city separately. This has the advantage of allowing thorough treatment for each section but sometimes creates a difficulty in relating chronologically such things, for example, as the building of churches and the creation of guilds.

First there is a concise political-military history of the period supporting the underlying assertion that London, though famously omitted from the Domesday Book, was always an important and comparatively populous place. Then follows a discussion of medieval towns and the urban renaissance in which Alfred the Great is projected as a radical visionary. What glorious images of towns lodged in the seven-year-old mind of the king during his year in Rome?

The shape of London is conjectured through its parishes, streets and wards; an exposition of government and trade reveals the tensions between London and Westminster, demonstrates the idea of the commune and suggests the first development of trade unions for the protection of workers—notably the weavers. Finally there is an examination of the important role played by the church in this growing and increasingly significant city.

The book is a neat reminder that during this great period of consolidation London was an intimately, even incxtricably, vital part of the net-work of trade-routes and politico-military movements that stretched from Scandinavia, through the low countries across France and into Italy. It is Professor Brooke's intention that the reader should be able to "come to grips with a lively exciting, squalid, yet attractive, even splendid medieval city"... I feel he succeeds.

Roger Baker

Poetry

Of Quintilius we are told the splendid libel that he died of a surfeit of lentils and that when the only copy of his second book of Odes went down in a shipwreck Savonarola said, "The Church can afford the loss". A sharp shadow—and it goes perfectly with the body of verse assembled in Peter Russell's *The Elegies of Quintilius* (Anvil Press, £1.95 and 90p). Russell has been working on this pastiche for years—drafts of the first three elegies appeared as long ago as 1954, when the *TLS* hailed them as "the bitter-sweet musings of a Roman country gentleman". That Roman gentleman has grown sweeter and bitterer meanwhile thanks to close textual criticism from Ezra Pound. Russell's *Quintilius*—like Pound's *Propertius*—offers at once a translation and a criticism, and must in the end be reckoned as neither, but something rarer: a poem, a supreme fiction.

A little vice never did very much harm,
But Virtue has ruined many an innocent fellow.

This has that quality of *authority which comes when* a man achieves his own tone and pitch after a lifetime learning the craft of verse.

The Lady and the Unicorn *represents a collaboration* between the poet Peter Porter and the painter Arthur Boyd; it is published by Secker & Warburg at £7.50 in an edition limited to 1,000 copies of which all are signed by both men and only 750 are offered for sale. Porter is at his witty and inventive best in these heraldic verses, and Boyd's drawings gnaw away at the bones of what he has to say.

The magazine Agenda, now in its fifteenth year, has for centrepiece in its current issue an outstanding sequence of sonnets, "Lachrimae", by Geoffrey Hill, as well as some instructive autobiographical fragments by the late David Jones. The merit of *Agenda* is that it has always been committed to difficult and dangerous things like genius—witness its support of Pound when he was still in "the bughouse".

Its editor, William Cookson, like Peter Russell, is a man who deserves recognition for his services to English letters, which have been uncommonly unselfish, dedicated to the thankless task of getting decent verse into print in a country where there is a ready market only for mediocrity. *Agenda* costs £1.50. You can get it from 5 Cranbourne Court, Albert Bridge Road, London SW11 4PE. Another magazine worth support is Poetry Wales (Christopher Davies, 60p—its address is Dylan Thomas House, Swansea SA1 5DZ). The current issue is a special number devoted to one of the finest poets to die in the Second World War, Alun Lewis.

Several well-established poets have new books out. I have preferred this time to direct attention to the lesser known, but my record would be incomplete without mention of Thomas Blackburn's Selected Poems (Hutchinson, £2.95), a stringent selection which shows this poet of vision to be clearest sighted and toned when he questions his own eloquence.

My conclusion is: most words do violence
To what he said. Listen to silence.

Nor would I want to omit Seamus Heaney's North (Faber £2.95 and £1.25), for this technically very accomplished Irish poet is breaking free of the slickness which seemed to me to disfigure his earlier volumes—there are fewer poems here which will sink instantly into the anthologies, but more plain statements with a pressure of experience behind them to vex the memory.

Finally, let me recommend a curious little volume which consists of a poem written in 1782 but never previously published—Charles Wesley's The American War (Keepsake Press, £3.95 and £1.95—26 Sydney Road, Richmond, Surrey). This is a backhand way to add to the celebrations of the bi-centenary of the Declaration of Independence, for Wesley's high Tory satire sees Britain's defeat as deliberately contrived by the Whig general Sir William Howe, paw in glove with Washington, whose virtues, the poet concedes, may have been "worthy of a nobler cause". Such a spirited attack on democracy run riot has its points in the week of our first national referendum. The introduction and notes provided by Donald Baker make almost as delicious an apparatus of entertainment as Mr Russell's learned fictions about Quintilius. At the heart of each of these books there is however an irreducible seriousness, and this is what one values. In Russell's case it is concern for the ideal of good verse. In Wesley's it is concern that the worship of Man might prove more disastrous than the worship of God. The two views are not mutually exclusive, and of all the books in this batch I commend these two unfashionable ones as providing food for thought and other appetites.

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...undy, England's chief hope ...inning the Derby at Epsom ...rday, did us proud. He won ...reat race and in doing so he ...d his enthusiastic Italian ..., Dr Carlo Vittadini, a mam... prize of £106,465, the biggest ... offered in this country.

...undy won in a way that ...ped him as a particularly good ...idual. He did so by beating ...French filly, Nobiliary, whom ...rice Zilber said later was a ...ller filly at this stage of her ...er than the great Dahlia was ... the same stage by three ...ths. So the Derby was won by ...unner trained in the small ...shire village of Lambourn for ... second year in succession— ...w Knight having taken the ...e 12 months ago.

...he flags were flying in Lam...rn last night when Grundy ...rned and the little Merseyside ... whose surname is Grundy, ...t have been delighted with ... outcome, having 24 hours ...ier sent her namesake a Polo ...t and a letter of good luck. ...ing as I do in Lambourn I ...not disguise my delight at the ...lt nor my admiration for the ... that Grundy has been trained ...year by Peter Walwyn. With ... Oaks and the Irish Derby in ...net last year, and now this ...st and greatest catch Walwyn ...ld be said to have shaken off ...t unlucky tag that clung to him ... so long so far as classic races ...re concerned.

...I am still convinced that Grundy ...uld have won the 2,000 Guineas ...he had not been kicked in the ...e in March and broken bones in ...s nose. It says something for ...undy that he was blessed with ...ental constitution as well as the ...ysical to shrug aside the after ...fects of such an injury. I saw ...rundy weather that storm and it ...as his courage that endeared him ... me and bracketed with his ...droitness—balance was the word ...ed by Keith Freeman, the blood...ock agent, who paid 11,000 ...ineas for him on Dr Vittadini's ...behalf.

...Dr Vittadini, that most amiable ...alian, is, happily for us, in love ...ith racing in this country. ...This", he told me yesterday, ...is by far my most exciting ...oment in racing even though I ...ve won the Italian Derby three ...mes". Last autumn Dr Vittadini, ...wning raced horses in England ...r several years, expressed his ...fection for racing here by ...ranging for his good colt, Habat, ... stand on our national stud. ... would be nice to think that his ...sture has been repaid in kind ... yesterday's result and that one ...y one so tough, amenable and ...aptable as Grundy will also join the ranks of stallions at our national stud.

Grundy was bred on the Overbury stud in the Cotswolds, and in many ways his pedigree is in keeping with the modern blend. He is by Great Nephew, a colt who excelled at distances that ranged between a mile and a mile and a quarter and he is out of a mare who stayed well. But there is speed, indeed an abundance of speed, on his dam's side and as the Americans have proved in recent years it is speed that counts these days. Exar, Habat, No Mercy, Ortis, Ardale, Orange Bay, Patch, Resilience and Palatch are just nine more of the good horses that Vittadini's colours have borne in Europe.

Derby prices, places

1, Grundy, 5-1
2, Nobiliary, 20-1
3, Honna Dancer, 50-1
Tote: Win, 56p; places, 27p, 60p, £1.44.

Other placings: 4, Anne's Pretender; 5, Whip it Quick; 6, Green Dancer; 7, Royal Mansuie; 8, Fidion; 9, Dominion; 10, Nuthatch; 11, Romper; 12, Red Regent; 13, Sea Break; 14, Bruni; 15, No Alimony; 16, Hobnob; 17, Carolus; 18 and last Tanzor.

Patch, who is also trained by Walwyn, will be trying to win the French Derby for the doctor at Chantilly on Sunday. It would be a remarkable achievement if he were to win there because Dr Vittadini has already won the Italian Derby this year with Orange Bay, and Grundy is the favourite in everybody's eyes for the Irish Derby. Whether he runs in it or waits for the Eclipse Stakes has not yet been decided. Last night, however, the arrows were all pointing towards the Curragh.

The classic was run in a fair time when one considers that the gallop up the hill was not at a breakneck pace. At 2min 35.5sec it was only fractionally slower than that of Snow Knight a year ago. When the race settled down Anne's Pretender, Carolus, Red Regent and Hobnob could be seen among those in the van with Nuthatch, Grundy and Nobiliary not far behind. Piggott, who rode Bruni, told me that the initial gallop was nothing special, but when they did quicken, at the top of the hill, six furlongs from home, the pace left a lot floundering. And one of them, so Swinburn said, was Nuthatch, who was in a perfect position at the time. As they began the descent towards Tattenham Corner Anne's Pretender led the way, followed by Red Regent, Nuthatch and Grundy. From then on it was easy to understand why champion jockey, Eddery, said that he had the perfect ride on Grundy.

It had been his intention to be in the first six throughout and at Tattenham Corner there he was, sitting pretty, on Grundy, in precisely the position that he wanted to be. From then on Grundy simply did everything that Eddery asked him to do. And as the young champion said afterwards, in a mood that seemed to exude confidence, he did it all so easily.

Grundy had, Eddery told me, been on a long rein throughout the race until the moment came that he had to ask him to make his move. The response was positive and a true reflection of a good horse. When pressed later to say whether or not he thought that Grundy would stay a mile and a half at the Curragh Eddery simply said that he would get the St Leger distance the way that he won yesterday. And who would dispute him?

For once there were no hard luck stories to recount. Saint-Martin, who rode the second, Nobiliary, said that although she would have preferred a faster gallop she had had every chance the way things went. And so had all the other runners. Nobiliary is now earmarked for the Prix de Diane, the French Oaks. Her trainer, Zilber, insisted that he had no regrets running her in the Derby instead of the Oaks. He thought that finishing second in the Derby was better than winning three Oaks. At least he picked up £31,430 for his pains. Theirs was a noble challenge.

Freddie Head, downcast obviously, having not even finished in the first four on Green Dancer, the favourite, but through no fault of his own, said that he felt that Green Dancer was already a beaten horse coming down the hill. "This was not the horse that I have been used to riding", he muttered to me, but he did not make the firm ground an excuse as so many French jockeys and trainers have done in the past. I am sure that Green Dancer is capable of better things. He looked really hard in the paddock and no lighter than he did when he won the Prix Lupin. It is impossible to put one's finger on the reason for his failure. In all fairness to Head he gave his horse every chance, but Green Dancer simply failed to respond. There will be another day.

Despite the failure of Green Dancer, few of those who made an ante-post book on the race can have been pleased with the sight of the second favourite winning coupled with the fact that Tanzor, the colt that most thought would finish last, did so by the length of Piccadilly. In these days when bookmakers tend to bet on anything Tanzor will have cost some a pretty penny or two.



Grundy, with Patrick Eddery in the saddle, being led into the winner's enclosure by his owner, Dr Carlo Vittadini, after the Derby yesterday.

With Grundy winning, Ladbrokes had no option but to trim the prices of both One Over Parr and May Hill for the Oaks. They, like Grundy, are trained by Walwyn, and both fillies have been coupled with Grundy in sizable doubles. The great classic double at Epsom, was last achieved by a man for whom Walwyn holds the greatest regard, Noel Murless.

Today is Wildlife charity day at Epsom. For the third year running the proceeds will go to the World Wildlife Fund which is devoted to the conservation and preservation of wildlife and natural resources throughout the world. It is a worthy cause. All the races have been sponsored today when the added prize money amounts to £14,000. Merry Kerry, who won the most valuable race—the Globtik Wildlife Handicap—last year, is to try to land the biggest catch this afternoon, the John Moores Wildlife Handicap. He has a good chance of doing so.

He seems to have the beating of both King's Equity and Reformed Character on past form but I doubt whether he will beat Fanatico this time, even though he ran encouragingly in his only race this season at Sandown. Fanatico is a horse who seems to excel only when he has everything his own way, but there was no questioning his complete mastery at Kempton Park last month when he beat Asdic by two lengths.

Even though Asdic is meeting Fanatico on four pounds better terms today, it is difficult to visualize him finding revenge. Lester Piggott, who won a race over this course and distance in April on Asdic, rides him again. He has several other good rides this afternoon, notably the Irish filly, Flying Cheetah, in the Pedigree Chum Stakes, Common Land in the Banner Panda Handicap and Royfern in the Con-Mech Stakes.

Common Land is expected to run well, not only because he ran such a promising race at York where he finished sixth behind Mr Bigmore but also on account of his sparkling work on Newmarket heath recently. He could be the second of two winners for Michael Jarvis and his patron David Robinson. Earlier, their hopes of winning the Atlantic Assurance Acorn Stakes rest with the sharp filly, Get Ready, who ran all her rivals off their feet at Newmarket in the spring when she won her first and only race. Get Ready looks ideal to cope with the fast five furlong chute at Epsom and she is preferred to Cereum, Czar Prince, second to the useful and more experienced Sea Anchor at Sandown Park in his only race, is my selection for the Creative Metals Tiger Stakes.

STATE OF GOING (official): Epsom: Good to firm. Carlisle: Good to firm. Friday, Haydock Park: Good to firm. Catterick Bridge: Firm.

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SPORT

Racing

Lambourn, the village of All Friends

By Michael Seely

The Berkshire village of Lambourn, basking in the glory of Grundy's Derby triumph, struck another telling blow at Epsom yesterday when All Friends, trained by Nicholas Vigors and ridden by Paul Cook, won the Diomed Stakes. This was a breathtaking affair to watch in the closing stages. All Friends mastered Babbling Brook at the distance, but in the last 100 yards Halicas came strongly at him.

At the post there was only a whisker between the two, but All Friends had held on to win by a short head, with Windy Glen a length away, third. General Vole found little when Piggott asked him for his effort two furlongs from home and finished well beaten. The odds-on favourite is considered to be happier with some give in the ground, and yesterday's surface may have been too firm.

This victory represented a personal triumph for the Lambourn trainer. All Friends had ricked his back when running in the Greenham Stakes, where he finished last. Following an intensive course of treatment, the three-year-old had been nursed back to health. Yesterday's win was the first time All Friends had set foot on a racecourse since April.

To produce the Don II colt in such superlative condition as to win a Group III race after so long was a feat of considerable skill. This was by far and away the most valuable prize to have fallen to the 25-year-old trainer. Vigors trains All Friends for Raymon Mendoza, a businessman from Madrid.

Mr Mendoza has raced for some years in Spain, where in addition to having 35 horses in training he also owns a small stud. Last autumn he commissioned Vigors to buy two horses. As well as All Friends, whom the trainer purchased from Dermot Weld, the four-year-old Honoured Guest, second at Ripon yesterday, was also acquired. As with the victory of the Italian-owned Grundy, this success reflects even further the international trend in racing nowadays.

"We've got good trainers in the north if only they'd send us the horses". Snowy Wainwright said after the 4 to 9 favourite, Music Boy, stylishly pushed along by John Seagrave, had comfortably disposed of Light Link and Yunkel in the Great Surrey Stakes. Music Boy had little to beat yesterday, but there is no denying the blistering speed the two-year-old had previously shown when beaten by Royal Boy at York.

Wainwright considers Music Boy to be an even faster two-year-old than Burlington Boy, whom he sent out to finish third in the Gimcrack Stakes. This was only the second runner at Epsom for the trainer, and the first for his owner, Kenneth Mackay, a Doncaster meat importer. Music Boy is now to tilt at the Windsor Castle Stakes at Ascot, where he will renew his rivalry with Royal Boy. Despite the ease of the colt's win yesterday, his trainer considers him to be "a speed horse, nothing else". My Money would still be on Royal Boy when they meet again.

In the Woodcote Stakes, the first major two-year-old race of the season run over six furlongs, Wainwright saddled Dunmarry Boy, but the Yorkshire colt never threatened to get in a blow. This race went to Epsom when Joe Mercer drove Chum-Chum past Brave Panther in the last furlong.

Ronald Smyth trains the winner for Chummy Gaventa, a London bookmaker. Mr Gaventa has not enjoyed his usual luck as an owner this spring, and yesterday was the first time he had seen his colours successful this season. Epsom stables were responsible for three of yesterday's winners. Jumpabout had set the ball rolling when taking the *Daily Mirror* Handicap.

This had looked a competitive event beforehand, but from the moment Rouse had sent the winner into a clear lead a quarter of a mile from home the race turned into a procession. John Sutcliffe, jnr, saddled the dual Kempton Jubilee winner for William Maskell, a local engineer. Jumpabout, who was carrying an 8lb penalty for his most recent Kempton Park success, is to be aimed at the Queen Anne Stakes at Ascot.

Charnock completes first double on Kafka

Lindsay Charnock, aged 20, took the riding honours at Ripon yesterday when he scored his first double for Denys Smith on Peace and Quiet and Kafka. Bred in America, Kafka won by four lengths from Honoured Guest in the Joe Coral Stakes and became Charnock's biggest success of his four years in racing.

Kafka, owned by Eric Brown, disputed the lead four furlongs from home with Alaska Highway. Entering the final furlong Charnock urged his mount into the lead, and Kafka soon strode clear. He was bought at the Newmarket Sales for 4,200 guineas and will probably go hurdling eventually.

Peace and Quiet, the 11-2 favourite, made all the running in the Claro Stakes, beating White Emperor by three lengths. It was Charnock's twelfth win in 140 rides. He had his indentures transferred to Denys Smith following the death earlier this year of his former master, Ron Barnes.

The Deverell Plate provided a rousing finish with Pennina being beaten at the last by Border River, ridden in style by Geoffrey Oldroyd. Home bred at Bridlington by Clifford Watts, Border River will now go for next week's Robert Masey at Beverley. It was the first winner of the season for Watts, who has a small string of 12 horses.

Patrick Rohan is riding on the crest of a wave with his small string. Franc Flinders provided him with his thirteenth success, holding off Pierino, the favourite, in the Joe Coral Derby Stakes. Diana Bissill urged Franc Flinders into the lead after a furlong and made the rest of the running, riding a hands and heels finish.

Miss Bissill, who has ridden four winners, is assistant trainer to her father in Shropshire. Three of her successes have been scored this year. Rohan expects Franc Flinders will run again in a ladies' race at Beverley next week.

Epsom programme

[Television (IBA): 2.35, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.15 races]

2.0 CREATIVE METALS TIGER STAKES (3-y-o : £906 : 1¼m)

101 00-4110 Big Venture (Sir J. Scott), D. Sasse, 9-6 R. Edmondson 5
102 00-031 Chas Sawyer (D) (C. Sawyer), G. P.-Gordon, 9-2 B. Taylor 7
103 4-40003 Bam Bam (H. Bamberg), W. Marshall, 8-11 .. R. Marshall 8
104 2 Czar Prince (R. Tikkoo), B. Hanbury, 8-11 .... F. Durr 3
105 034 Dred Scott (Mrs D. Hewitt), W. Hern, 8-11 .... J. Mercer 1
107 000-00 Tricky Nicky (J. Payne), R. Smyth, 8-11 .... T. Cain 3 4
109 0-00 Twenty-Two Carat (Essa Alkhalifa), R. Price, 8-11 A. Murray 6
111 0404 Twin Power (C. Blackwell), C. Brittain, 8-11 .. L. Piggott 9
112 000-0 Queens Slipper (Mrs G. Webster), M. Goswell, 8-8 B. Rouse 2

5-2 Chas Sawyer, 3-1 Czar Prince, 5-1 Dred Scott, 6-1 Twenty-Two Carat, 8-1 Big Venture, 10-1 Twin Power, 14-1 Bam Bam, 16-1 others.

2.35 PEDIGREE CHUM STAKES (2-y-o : £2,561 : 6f)

201 3313 Fruits of Love (A. Joy), B. Swift, 9-0 .... P. Cook 2
202 2331 Gala Season (M. Taylor), K. Payne, 9-0 .... T. Lappin 9
207 2221 Flying Cheetah (J. Nolan), M. Connolly, 8-11 .. L. Piggott 10
210 3430 Black District (N. Callaghan), N. Callaghan, 8-9 .. J. Lynch 7
211 28 Chop-Chop (M. Old), C. Benstead, 8-9 .... B. Rouse 12
212 020 Deadly Sin (Mrs C. Silver), R. Smyth, 8-9 ...... T. Cain 3 11
213 Fountains Abbey (A. Richards), R. Hannon, 8-9 B. Raymond 1
215 0400 Golden Bird (G. Pearce), W. Marshall, 8-9 .... R. Marshall 3
216 02040 Muriska Prince (Mrs J. Gee), R. Hannon, 8-9 .... F. Durr 13
217 0 Dear Dorothy (T. Langton), G. Hunter, 8-6 .... W. Carson 8
220 420 Fleur D'Amour (E. Woollett), P. Cundell, 8-6 .. J. Mercer 4
221 334 The Little Poem (Mr A. Clegg), P. Cole, 8-6 R. Edmondson 5
222 42 Taj Girl (R. Dormer), W. Stephenson, 8-6 .... D. Ryan 6

9-4 Flying Cheetah, 9-2 Gala Season, 5-1 Fruits Of Love, 7-1 Fleur D'Amour, 8-1 Chop-Chop, 10-1 Black District, Taj Girl, 12-1 Muriska Prince, 14-1 others.

3.10 JOHN MOORES WILDLIFE STAKES (Handicap : £3,818 : 1½m)

301 0002-44 Dakota (D) (G. Reed), S. Hall, 4-9-3 ...... G. Lewis 8
304 01000-0 Merry Kerry (CD) (Mrs F. Coleman), J. Sutcliffe, jun, 6-9-3 P. Eddery 15
305 1304-00 Bless This Horse (Sir C. Clore), B. van Cutsem, 4-9-2 W. Carson 3
306 1000-00 Val D'Amour (J. Morley), D. Morley, 4-9-0 .. A. Murray 6
307 0200-02 Reformed Character (D) (L. Holliday), Denys Smith, 5-9-0 A. Barclay 12
308 010-003 King's Equity (CD) (Mrs S. Eldin), G. P.-Gordon, 5-8-11 B. Taylor 2
309 2320-00 Carnera (J. Mullion), R. Armstrong, 4-8-12 B. Raymond 6
310 0300-02 Wishing Star (CD) (C. Berlin), D. Marks, 6-8-8 P. Cheese 7 1
311 223-213 Our Manny (CD) (R. Doughty), G. Harwood, 6-8-8 G. Starkey 11
313 1232-00 Kinglet (CD) (Lady Beaverbrook), W. Hern, 5-8-8 J. Mercer 13
314 1110-01 Fanatico (D) (Y. Yamamoto), M. Stoute, 4-8-7 E. Hide 7
315 00-3122 Asdic (CD) (J. d'Avigdor-Goldsmid), S. Ingham, 4-8-5 L. Piggott 9
317 3401-11 Tudor Crown (D) (Mrs C. McSweeney), J. Hindley, 4-8-2 A. Kimberley 14
319 234-002 Pirate Bell (D) (F. Allison), G. Stephenson, 6-7-11 J. Reid 5 4

9-2 Asdic, 5-1 Fanatico, 6-1 Tudor Crown, 13-2 Reformed Character, 8-1 Bless This Horse, King's Equity, 10-1 Woodland Reward, 12-1 Dakota, 14-1 Merry Kerry, Kinglet, 16-1 others.

3.40 ATLANTIC ASSURANCE ACORN STAKES (2-y-o : £1,561 : 5f)

402 1 Get Ready (D) (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 9-0 .. B. Raymond 6
403 3111 Hey Presto (CD) (H. Joel), S. Ingham, 9-0 .... L. Piggott 1
404 01 Positive Dream (CD) (A. Katz), W. Marshall, 9-0 R. Marshall 5
405 01 Prima Magi (D) (C. Gaventa), J. Sutcliffe, jun, 9-0 B. Rouse 4
407 4 Cereum (E. Benjamin), R. Armstrong, 8-7 .... W. Carson 1
408 4 Mouraquila (C. Hurt), Mrs R. Lomax, 8-7 ...... B. Taylor 2

15-8 Get Ready, 100-30 Hey Presto, 9-2 Positive Dream, 6-1 Prima Magi, 7-1 Cereum, 12-1 Mouraquila.

4.15 BANNER PANDA STAKES (Handicap : 3-y-o : £1,628 : 1¼m)

501 4210-00 Common Land (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 9-5 .. L. Piggott 6
502 3110-14 Chil the Kite (Eva Lady Rosebery), B. Hobbs, 8-11 G. Baxter 2
504 2202-03 Uncle Remus (J. Berry), I. Balding, 8-7 .... J. Mercer 8
505 2-03143 Kirov (CD) (P. Gallagher), W. Marshall, 8-7 R. Marshall 7
506 2-30 Barrettstown (G. Weston), N. Murless, 8-3 .... G. Lewis 1
507 301-03 Glorious Devon (R. Buffield), B. Whelan, 8-2 .... E. Eldin 4
511 212-203 Gaelic (Sir R. Macdonald-Buchanan), H. Cecil, 7-12 A. Bond 3 5
515 214414 Gold Claim (D) (Mrs F. Browne), C. Bewicke, 7-2 J. Reid 5 3

7-2 Chil the Kite, 4-1 Gold Claim, 5-1 Common Land, 6-1 Kirov, 7-1 Gaelic, 8-1 Glorious Devon, 10-1 Barrettstown, 12-1 Uncle Remus.

4.45 CON-MECH SPRINT STAKES (Handicap : 3-y-o : £860 : 6f)

601 200-231 Royfern (A. Kennedy), A. Breasley, 9-5 ...... L. Piggott 1
602 1120-3 Inze Baba (D) (Mrs J. Couney), B. Hills, 8-12 W. Carson 6
605 1100-00 Chigusa (T. Wada), J. Winter, 8-7 .... B. Taylor 3
607 00-0110 Gold Mark (D) (S. Harmsworth), S. Ingham, 8-5 G. Ramshaw 4
608 110-000 Welsh Mate (Sir D. Clague), S. Supple, 8-3 .. P. Eddery 7
609 0010-00 Phantom Town (D) (C. Elliot), C. Brittain, 8-2 A. Bond 3 5
610 022133 Taracross (D) (A. Stevens), A. Stevens, 8-1 .... E. Hide 2
611 00-1200 Singing Time (Mrs G. Neall), W. Wightman, 8-0 M. L. Thomas 9
614 42-10 Doyenne (D) (S. Fraser), P. Cundell, 7-12 ...... P. Cook 8

15-8 Royfern, 7-2 Inze Baba, 6-1 Taracross, 7-1 Chigusa, 10-1 Gold Mark, Singing Time, 12-1 Doyenne, 14-1 others.

Epsom selections

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2.0 Czar Prince. 2.35 Flying Cheetah. 3.10 Fanatico. 3.40 GET READY is specially recommended. 4.15 Common Land. 4.45 Royfern.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Czar Prince. 2.35 Black District. 3.10 Fanatico. 3.40 Get Ready. 4.15 Gaelic.

Carlisle programme

6.45 BUTTERMERE STAKES (2-y-o : £392 : 5f)

1 43 Fast Music (J. Hardy), Hardy, 8-9 .... C. Moss 3
2 02400 Fire Glaze (P. Milner), Milner, 8-9 .... C. Eccleston 4
5 0000 Pall Yavi (A. Balding), Balding, 8-9 .... J. Balding 6
7 00 Solar Saint (M. Warwick), S. Wainwright, 8-9 J. Seagrave 9
8 00 Bath Miss (R. Gray), D. Williams, 8-6 .... S. Webster 5 5
9 0 The Danstan (J. Jackson), E. Weymes, 8-6 ...... S. Perks 2
10 00 Evening Ray (W. Dootson), J. Cousins, 8-6 G. Cadwaladr 11
11 0002 Hilliana (S. Head), M. W. Easterby, 8-6 .... E. Hide 8
12 04 The Last (E. Davey), H. Blackshaw, 8-6 .... A. Horrocks 10
13 000 Little Charmer (W. Robson), M. H. Easterby, 8-6 M. Birch 12
14 0090 Olivarnie's Dandy (T. Medlor), H. Blackshaw, 8-6 B. Connorton 7
16 0 Wicken Folly (R. Humphrey), M. Prescott, 8-6 G. Duffield 1

9-4 Fast Music, 3-1 Hilliana, 5-1 The Danstan, 13-2 Wicken Folly, 8-1 Little Charmer, 10-1 The Last, 12-1 Fire Glaze, 14-1 Solar Saint, 20-1 others.

7.10 LOWESWATER HANDICAP (£449 : 6f)

1 203010 Two Rossies (D) (J. Glover), S. Nesbitt, 3-9-9 G. Cadwaladr 6
2 00-0004 Court God (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 3-9-7 .. G. Sexton 4
3 4300-00 Red Dawn (D) (Mrs V. Rankin), C. Crossley, 5-9-6 D. Gillespie 5 7
4 0-13314 Queensway (D) (J. Finlayson), H. Blackshaw, 5-9-5 M. Nuttall 7 9
5 042300- Inkling (A. Le Blond), C. Lamb, 5-9-3 .... B. Headley 1
6 200-023 Buckfastleigh (J. Winter), T. Fairhurst, 4-9-1 .. E. Johnson 3
8 000-000 Double Seven (T. Milner), H. Morris, 3-9-0 .. J. Curant 5
9 0102-00 Woolakin (H. Smallman), R. Hollinshead, 3-9-0 .... T. Ives 3
10 420-434 Karabita (D) (Mrs J. Gold), K. Payne, 3-8-10 A. Cousins 8

11-4 Court God, 100-30 Queensway, 9-2 Two Rossies, 6-1 Woolakin, 8-1 Karabita, 10-1 Buckfastleigh, Red Dawn, 12-1 Inkling, 16-1 Double Seven.

7.40 BASSENTHWAITE HANDICAP (3-y-o : £461 : 1m)

4 200200 Blue Ribbon (Mrs J. Dunlop), J. Dunlop, 8-13 D. Gillespie 5 5
6 01100-0 Uncle John (J. Smith), W. Atkinson, 8-10 .. P. Kelleher 6
7 0000-00 Ray of Ollies (R. Peers), F. Carr, 8-10 .. G. Cadwaladr 4
8 0-32002 Carlton Saint (F. Reacher), J. Hardy, 8-9 .... C. Moss 2
14 000-004 Eloquent (H. Cooper), M. H. Easterby, 8-4 .... M. Birch 1
15 41-2004 Larella (L. Parnes), K. Payne, 8-3 .... A. Cousins 3

7-4 Carlton Saint, 11-4 Ray of Ollies, 4-1 Blue Ribbon, 6-1 Eloquent, 7-1 Larella, 10-1 Uncle John.

8.05 WASTWATER STAKES (2-y-o : £516 : 5f)

1 0 Aintree Boy (B. Davies), K. Payne, 9-0 .... A. Cousins 5
4 00 Balm (Lord H. de Walden), E. Weymes, 9-0 .... S. Perks 15
5 0 Blacquay (T. Macdonald), Denys Smith, 9-0 ...... P. Kelleher 6
6 0 Chadville (J. Chalmers), F. Carr, 9-0 .... L. C. Parkes 3
9 Dancherry Pongee (R. Mason), J. FitzGerald, 9-0 G. Oldroyd 14
10 00 Likely Boy (Mrs E. Dexter), S. Wainwright, 9-0 J. Seagrave 2
17 000 Nice Ice (D. Needham), Denys Smith, 9-0 .... L. Charnock 7 11
18 00 Pets First (J. Hardy), Hardy, 9-0 .... C. Moss 10
20 3 Romany Charter (R. P eacock), R. D. Peacock, 9-0 L. G. Brown 4
25 00 Easby Saint (Mrs W. Blow), M. H. Easterby, 8-11 M. Birch 7
28 000 Johanne (J. Thornton), J. Cousins, 8-11 .. G. Cadwaladr 8
29 02 Kathie of Breganza (M. Whitelock), M. Prescott, 8-11 G. Duffield 12
31 000 Right Beauty (T. Wilson), M. W. Easterby, 8-11 E. Hide 9

3-1 Romany Charter, 5-1 Aintree Boy, 6-1 Kathie of Breganza, 7-1 Pets First, 9-1 Likely Boy, 10-1 Balm, Blacquay, 12-1 Nice Ice, 14-1 Easby Saint, 20-1 others.

8.35 CRUMMOCK WATER HANDICAP (£429 : 1½m)

4 300034 Baggin Time (G. Baillie), T. Fairhurst, 4-8-13 E. Johnson 3
20 3 Romany Charter (R. Peacock), R. D. Peacock, 9-0 B. Connorton 5
7 00000-0 Lords (R. Sangster), E. Cousins, 4-8-8 .. G. Cadwaladr 1
8 0000-00 Showman's Fair (D) (Mrs S. Williams), D. Williams, 12-8-7 S. Webster 5 4
10 04-0002 Triple (J. Whitehouse), R. Hollinshead, 5-8-3 K. Leason 5 2

6-4 Baggin Time, 3-1 Lords, 4-1 Master Chad, 11-2 Triple, 8-1 Showman's Fair.

9.0 ENNERDALE WATER PLATE (3-y-o : £311 : 1m 1f 80yd)

1 00-03 Dunky (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 9-0 ...... G. Sexton 14
3 00 Prince Purnani (K. Gulrajani), S. Hall, 9-0 .... S. Perks 6
5 200-400 Provident (E. Smith), Hbt Jones, 9-0 .... J. Seagrave 11
6 322400- Red Marshall (J. Henderson), M. W. Easterby, 9-0 E. Hide 7
7 000- River Mist (Mrs M. Carrick), W. Haigh, 9-0 .... O. Gray 10
8 0 Sky Glow (D. Hawkey), J. Hardy, 9-0 .... C. Moss 9
10 000000- Spring Fling (H. Leader), W. A. Stephenson, 9-0 T. Davies 7 1
12 2 True Word (J. Dunlop), Dunlop, 9-0 .... D. Gillespie 5 12
13 0 Viborhi (A. MacDowall), W. Haigh, 9-0 ...... A. Cousins 13
16 00400-3 Ashingora (F. Lydall), W. Elsey, 8-11 ...... S. Salmon 5 5
18 0 Belle of Morland (G. Chappelhow), W. Haigh, 8-11 K. Leason 4
19 03d2-02 Carmoni Queen (Mrs R. Taylor), G. Richards, 8-11 T. O'Ryan 5 2
21 Jahala (D. Cornish), M. W. Easterby, 8-11 J. Buchanan 7 8
25 0000- Philmarnie (W. Robson), M. W. Easterby, 8-11 J. Skilling 3
29 000-432 Wild Easter (J. Hurst), R. Titterington, 8-11 P. Kelleher 15

5-4 True Word, 4-1 Red Marshall, 11-2 Provident, 7-1 Ashingora, 8-1 Carmoni Queen, 10-1 Dunky, 12-1 Sky Glow, 14-1 Wild Easter, 16-1 Prince Purnani, 20-1 others.

Carlisle selections

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6.45 Fast Music. 7.10 Court God. 7.40 Blue Ribbon. 8.05 Kathie of Breganza. **8.35 MASTER CHAD is specially recommended.** *9.00 Ashingora.*

Epsom results

2.0 (2.3) GREAT SURREY STAKES (2-y-o: £3,360: 5f)

Music Boy, ch c, by Jukebox—Veronique (K. Mackey), 8-11 J. Seagrave (4-9 fav) 1
Light Link, b f, by Tudor Music—Caronbrook (R. Tikkoo), 8-4 F. Durr (5-1) 2
Yunkel, b c, by Amber Rama—March Wonder (Sir J. Cohen), 8-7 .... J. Mercer (14-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 11-1 Dickie Davies, 25-1 Bella Set (4th). 5 ran.

TOTE: Win, 15p; forecast 20p. S. Wainwright, at Malton. 3l, 3l. 56.90sec.

2.35 (2.36) DAILY MIRROR HANDICAP (£4,508: 1¼m)

Jumpabout, ch h, by Double Jump—Sheer Joy (W. Maskell), 5-9-1 B. Rouse (7-1) 1
Blaskette, b f, by Blast—Merok (Mrs R. Owen-George), 4-8-3 P. Cook (15-2) 2
Flying Nelly, gr m, by Nelcius—Flying By (S. Digby), 5-8-10 E. Hide (13-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Peter Prompt, 7-1 Petrocracy, Understudy, 15-1 Gloss, Kew Gardens (4th), 16-1 Kunpuu, 20-1 Mon Légionnaire, 33-1 Thalassa, Indian Mask. 12 ran.

TOTE: Win, 86p; places 38p, 20p, 16p. J. Sutcliffe jun, at Epsom. 1½l, 5l. 2min 06.21sec.

3.35 (3.37) DERBY STAKES (3-y-o: winner, £106,465; 2nd, £31,430; 3rd, £15,565; 4th, £4,399.70: 1½m)

Grundy, ch c, by Great Nephew—Word From Lundy (Dr C. Vittadini), 9-0 ...... P. Eddery (5-1) 1
Nobiliary, ch f, by Vaguely Noble—Gooled (N. Hunt), 8-9 Y. Saint-Martin (20-1) 2
Hunza Dancer, b c, by Hawaii—Oonagh (R. Tikkoo), 9-0 F. Durr (50-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Green Dancer, 11-1 Sea Break, 16-1 Bruni, Royal Manacle, 18-1 Fidion, 20-1 Anthrath, Hobnob, 25-1 No Alimony, 33-1 Dominion, 35-1 Anne's Pretender (4th), 40-1 Red Regent, 66-1 Carolus, Romper, Tanzor, Whip It Quick. 18 ran.

TOTE: Win, 56p; places, 27p, 60p, £3.44. P. Walwyn, at Lambourn. 3l, 3l. 2min 35.35sec.

4.20 (4.21) WOODCOTE STAKES (2-y-o: £3,430: 6f)

Chum Chum, b c, by On Your Mark—Tack (C. Gaventa), 8-9 J. Mercer (14-1) 1
Brave Panther, b c, by Tribal Chief—Keryl (R. Tikkoo), 9-0 F. Durr (85-40 fav) 2
Rory's Rocket, gr f, by Roan Rocket—Cantadora (Mrs W. Slavter), 8-11 .... E. Hide (16-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 100-30 Hillandros, 4-1 Duringo (4th), 5-1 Dunmarry Boy, 11-1 River Gambler, 20-1 Wily Kim. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.63; places, 31p, 16p, 33p; dual forecast, £2.51. R. Smyth, Epsom. 1½l, 1½l. 1m 10.51sec.

4.50 (4.54) DIOMED STAKES (£7,789: 1m 110y)

All Friends, gr c, by Don II—Radio Mani (R. Mendoza), 3-8-2 P. Cook (20-1) 1
Halicas, b c, by Habitat—Lamia (Capt M. Lemos), 3-8-3 W. Carson (14-1) 2
Windy Glen, b c, by Wolver Hollow—Wind Goddess (J. Brown), 3-8-5 ...... F. Morby (30-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 8-11 fav General Vole, 6-1 Babbling Brook, Top, 10-1 Taros (4th), 12-1 Black Rhino, 20-1 Spanish Warrior, Berfell, River Blue. 11 ran.

TOTE: Win, £2.78; places, 67p, 62p, 97p. N. Vigors, Lambourn. Sh hd, 1l. 1min 44.58sec.

5.25 (5.35) CRAVEN HANDICAP (£3,646: 7f)

Fastacre, b c, by Lancre—Ennel (V. Advani), 3-8-11 F. Durr (12-1) 1
Royal Buoy, ch c, by Laser Light—Proleet (B. Robinson), 3-8-11 L. Piggott (11-2) 2
Layawake, ch c, by Laser Light—Awakan (D. Fisher), 3-7-6 R. Fox (5-2 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 8-1 Ibiouls, 6-1 Happy Victorious, 15-2 Frisky Ruler, Lotto-gift (4th), 14-1 Step Ahead. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.34; places, 33p, 25p, 25p; dual forecast, £3.40. A. Breasley, 1½l, nk. 1min 22.25sec.

TOTE DOUBLE: Grundy and All Friends, £111.95. TREBLE: Jumpabout, Chum Chum, Fastacre, £1,257. Jackpot not won. Consolation dividend of £535.70 paid on first four legs. Today's guaranteed pool £15,000.

Ripon results

2.15 (2.19) CLARO STAKES (Handicap: 3-y-o: £623: 6f)

Peace and Quiet, b c, by Meldrum—Becalm (Denys Smith), 8-9 L. Charnock (11-2 fav) 1
White Emperor, ch c, by Great White Way—La Romana (P. Taylor), 7-9 .... K. Lewis (8-1) 2
Swiftly, ch c, by Sailing Light—Strocaelle (W. Blenkinsop), 7-11 .... C. Eccleston (12-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-1 Quick Flash, 15-2 Ivy Dee, 8-1 Woppers Folly, 10-1 Lahenka, Mary Mod, 11-1 Cessy, 12-1 Stella's Pet, Tunstall Jane, 20-1 Careless Hands, Some Fella (4th), Chare, Woodside Star, 33-1 Nina D'Oro, Scarlot Tears, Goldmine, Mild Wind. 19 ran.

TOTE: Win, 50p; places, 19p, 29p, 32p, 64p. Denys Smith, at Bishop Auckland. 3l, 1l. There was no bid for the winner.

2.45 (2.50) JOE CORAL STAKES (Handicap: £1,844: 1¼m)

Kafka, b h, by Royal Palace—Bowlidor (E. Brown), 5-7-11 L. Charnock (9-2) 1
Honoured Guest, b c, by Sir Ivor—Nagaika (R. Mendoza), 4-9-7 G. Baxter (6-1) 2
Alaska Highway, b h, by Sovereign Path—Kitimat (E. Penser), 6-8-5 M. L. Thomas (9-4 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 Lord Aquarius (4th), 11-1 Pew Mat, Montreal Boy, 12-1 Tom Noddy, 20-1 Montlen. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, 40p; places, 16p, 21p, 12p; dual forecast, £1.13. Denys Smith, at Bishop Auckland. 4l, 1½l.

3.20 (3.24) DEVERELL PLATE (2-y-o: £414: 5f)

Border River, b c, by Fortorn River—Kelso Girl (W. C. Watts), 8-6 G. Oldroyd (12-1) 1
Pennina, b f, by Great Nephew—Princely Maid (J. Throup), 8-11 J. Walsh (11-4) 2
Pangliosa, b c, by Tribal Chief—Caught-At-It (C. Barber-Lomax), 8-11 B. Raymond (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Venus of Streatham (4th), 11-2 Be Blessed, 11-1 Butterfly Boy, 16-1 Kaingorille, 20-1 Royal Pursuit, 33-1 Coca, Elle Marine, 50-1 Obedizzy, Limbado, Olibanum, Shirdy River. 14 ran.

TOTE: Win, 90p; places, 24p, 16p, 25p. W. C. Watts, at Bridlington. Nk, 2l.

4.5 (4.6) PRINCESS ROYAL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,065: 1m)

Duboff, b f, by So Blessed—Proper Pretty (Mrs C. Radclyffe), 7-7 B. Sareel (11-8 fav) 1
Shine On, ch f, by Silver Cloud—Gunnhildr (Mrs D. Ford), 7-0 L. Charnock (9-2) 2
Incensed, ch c, by Frankincense—Fury Romance (P. Asquith), 7-1 K. Lewis (20-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 15-2 Richmond Castle, 10-1 Bright Comet, Proud Pathan, 12-1 Courting Day, 16-1 Incandescence, Parva Prince, 20-1 Cool Hand Luke (4th), Mandlestone, 50-1 Fraticelli. 12 ran.

TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 15p, 22p, 76p. Nk, 2l. B. Hills, at Lambourn.

4.35 (4.37) JOE CORAL DERBY STAKES (£953: 1¼m)

Franc Flinders, ch c, by Current Coin—Polly Flinders (T. Lucas), 4-9-8 .... Diana Bissill (3-1) 1
Pierino, ch h, by Miralgo—Princess Puma (F. Sasse), 5-9-13 Susan Hogan (13-8 fav) 2
Sky Tour, b g, by Romulus—Leuze (R. Earl), 5-9-10 Jennie Hansell (6-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 10-1 Gift Acre, 13-1 Kaliash, 14-1 Hamish, 20-1 Light Master, Siaria, 25-1 Alf's Carino, Superlip, Loyal Scot, 33-1 Fair Cop (4th), Charneld, Vladimarvellous, Quorlyn, Jackie Little. 16 ran.

TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 14p, 12p, 18p. 1½l, 6l. P. Rohan, at Malton.

5.5 (5.13) SAPPER PLATE (2-y-o: £414: 6f)

Confessor, br c, by So Blessed—Compulsion (Duke of Sutherland), 9-0 J. Lowe (5-2 fav) 1
Mon Fleur, ch f, by Florescence—Turn Back (M. Houlston), 8-11 C. Eccleston (20-1) 2
Old Rarity, b c, by Rarity—Papilio (Mrs J. Campbell), 9-0 G. Baxter (16-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-1 Gold Cheb, Pincio, 10-1 Spring Hope, 11-1 Fiskebridge, 14-1 Harrys Fizzle (4th), Secular, 16-1 Shirty Boy, 20-1 Anna's Princess, Brag, Gaye Slipper, Plenty Spirit, 33-1 Bennachie, Peni Gaughin, Penchand, Sabarik, Sackbut, Slap Happy, Cave's Pride, Flavelle, Windy Sail. 23 ran.

TOTE: Win, 29p; places, 19p, 73p, 35p. 3l, 2½l. J. W. Watts, at Richmond. Don Revie was withdrawn. Not under orders. Rule 4 does not apply. Price at withdrawal 20-1.

5.30 (5.35) UBIQUE PLATE (£414: 1½m)

Seaport, b c, by Firestreak—Take a Chance (J. Ellison), 3-8-5 B. Connorton (2-1 fav) 1
Targa Bella, b f, by Lauso—Cbe Bella (R. Miller), 3-7-9 S. Salmon (7-2) 2
Love Rocket, gr c, by Roan Rocket—Maladie d'Amour (D. Robinson), 3-8-5 B. Raymond (5-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 Bohemian, 10-1 Taipo Belle (4th), 14-1 Abu's Girl, 16-1 Heinie Moss, Winter Chimes, 20-1 Bleck, Moss Lane, Mrs Mandelstam, Boarshurst. 12 ran.

TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 15p, 16p, 20p. 2l, 10l. W. Hall, at Tadcaster.

TOTE DOUBLE: Border River, Franc Flinders, £23.15. TREBLE: Kafka, Duboff, Confessor, £9.60.

Catch fencing to be installed at Silverstone

Further safety improvements are being made at Silverstone in time for the British Grand Prix, sponsored by John Player, on July 19. The work is being carried out as a result of the latest CSI circuit inspection.

Approximately 6,000 yards of catch fencing is being installed on all the Grand Prix circuit corners, to reduce the impact in the event of an accident. Extensive modifications are being carried out at Club Corner. All trackside safety banks and sleepers are being moved 50ft back from the edge of the circuit.

These improvements cost about £20,000 and are another phase in the continuing programme of safety measures taken at Silverstone since 1970 costing about £70,000. These include 4,000 yards of railway sleeper walls, 1,500 yards of concrete wall, 800 yards of debris fencing and an increase in the number of car "run-off" areas.

Festival of sport for three women's services

To mark International Women's Year a festival of sport for the three women's services is being held in Portsmouth from June 9 to 13.

The festival has been arranged by the Royal Naval Service who have invited the Royal Air Force and the Royal Army Corps to enter teams of 20 competitors who should each take part in a minimum of three activities.

Prizes will be presented at HMS Temeraire Swimming Baths, Portsmouth, by Admiral Sir Derek Empson, the Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command. The Nato Sports Trophy, awarded to the individual or team in the Royal Navy, Royal Marines or Royal Naval Service whose achievement in inter-Service sport during the year is the most meritorious, will be presented to the winner, First Officer Jenny MacColl, WRNS.

Golf

When quantity of youth beat quality

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent

There comes a day in every championship now when youth has its fling. Youth flung it yesterday in the amateur championship at Royal Liverpool when the field was reduced to 32. It was not so much the quantity of youngsters who won but the quality of their victims. Two English 17-year-olds, Nicholas Faldo and Sandy Lyle, disposed of John Davies and Charles Green respectively. To these winners might be added Price, of Rhodesia, who is 18 and in the same quarter as Lyle.

At some stage the seeds and the stars have to be thinned out. They are more likely to go early when the championship is held immediately after a midweek Walker Cup, as happened for the first time this year. At first sight, it may look as though the big names were falling thick and fast yesterday, yet eight Walker Cup players remain, five of them American, and that is a high proportion. Some of the losers played tired golf and it is not surprising.

Only James of the British group has gone on as though inspired—his three and two victory over Turner, of New Zealand, was his closest margin yet—but then he is young and buoyant after his triumph last week. At the moment he looks the best British hope for the title, though one must be prepared for him to run out of steam in these conditions. Another who has kept going well is Geoffrey Marks who has been keeping his great length under control. He was not tested yesterday when the last of the Americans outside the Walker Cup were dismissed, but this morning he meets Stadler, the rough, thickset American champion of 1973.

Stadler does not attempt to hide his displeasure when he hits a loose shot and these were not lacking. His caddy might claim extra pay for the number of times he has had to pick up a discarded club. But, if occasionally Stadler hits a bad shot, he does not hit a weak one. If he can only tame his driver this morning and his length over the last few holes, he should have a close match with Marks.

I suspect that I have not yet watched the winner of the championship hit a shot, so busy is one chasing unexpected winners. I am thinking of Giles, in the great tradition of American competitors and maybe of Grace, the least obtrusive of Americans. He might turn out to be another Joseph Conrad, who emerged from the obscurity of a Walker Cup team 20 years ago to win, perhaps because he took less out of himself in nervous energy during those two gruelling weeks.

Faldo is in that blissful state when every putt looks possible and most are. He formed a notable contrast yesterday to the American, Koch, in another match, who has a great reputation as a putter and drove himself to the edge of insanity on the truest and perhaps the easiest greens in championship golf. Both Lyle and Faldo showed great coolness, which is not unusual these days at their age, but Faldo in addition had remarkable figures. His opponent, Davies, was three down at the turn but that was creditable. Faldo had reached it in 32, having had six birdies. He dropped shots at the first and seventh, losing both holes but that was devastating matchplay.

Davies reduced the margin to two at the 12th, but Faldo holed a crushing putt across the 13th green for his seventh birdie to make it three up again. Lyle survived the 20th hole against Ware, unlikely looking American with beginnings of a reputation, then went off with a birdie an eagle in the first three h against Green. This early lead psychologically important agai a man 25 years older playing second round of the day.

Hedges was once again betra by his driver and probably ne to be in a fresher frame of m before he sorts it out. He limited stamina, and unlimi stamina is so necessary during week in a Walker Cup year. opponent, the 20-year-old son a policeman, lost the first f holes against him and was three down at the turn. But holed a huge putt to win the and Hedges lost the next where he was bunkered. Hed was again one up playing the but his drive was hooked nea the boundary fence and he had drop out. At the 21st, Reid down in two from well out his opponent to win.

Siderowf also recovered fr two down against Black and reached the fourth round in s of not yet having found his p ing touch. If that returns, cannot, as a previous winner this country, be ignored. Po was not at his best and lost the last green to an opponent beat easily in the English ch pionship last year. Finally, Bu with perhaps the best match record among the Americans, out to Levenson, the South Afri amateur strokeplay champion, ing lost both short holes co in.

Yesterday's results in British amateur championship

Second round

M. J. Kelley (Scarborough North Cliff) beat C. Strange (US), 1 hole.
N. Price (Rhodesia) beat A. Thirlwell (Gosforth), 3 and 1.
A. Brodie (Balmore) beat P. M. B. Bucher (Eire), 4 and 3.
M. James (Burghley Park) beat P. S. Cockroft (Halifax), 7 and 6.
J. Davis (Langley Park) beat A. F. Dunsmore (Bishopbriggs), 1 hole.
N. S. Kelly (Walton Heath) beat I. W. Boyd (Berkshire), 2 holes.
M. H. Lygate (Troon Portland) beat T. Rippon (Canada), 6 and 5.
C. W. Green (Dumbarton) beat A. M. Warde (Prenton), 1 hole.
C. S. Mitchell (Bristol and Clifton) beat J. M. Brown (Canada), 4 and 3.
A. W. B. Lyle (Hawkstone Park) beat C. Ware (US), at 20th.
D. N. Turner (New Zealand) beat J. Schubeck (US), 2 and 1.
G. Levensen (SA) beat G. P. Burns (US), 2 holes.
I. Mackenzie (Hillsborough) beat P. B. Merry (Selby), 3 and 1.
P. Downes (Coventry) beat J. C. Thompson (Kirkhill), 1 hole.
J. W. Long (Australia) beat M. C. Hughesdon (Sunningdale), at 19th.
H. E. Swash (Southport and Ainsdale) beat B. Cawthray (West Bowling), at 20th.

Third round

S. Martin (Carnoustie) beat P. Little (Hartsbourne), 5 and 4.
N. M. Chesses (Shirley) beat H. Hopkinson (Worksop), 1 hole.
I. A. Carslaw (Williamwood) beat J. A. Watts (E Herts), 3 and 2.
J. Haas (US) beat B. Cudd (US), 4 and 3.
P. Wilson (Montrose Mercantile) beat R. Hurwitz (US), 3 and 3.
M. Giles (US) beat A. A. Jones (Heston Park), 3 and 2.
G. R. D. Eyles (Frilford Heath) beat S. W. Sloan (Glasgow), 5 and 4.
G. T. Stradling (Moor Park) beat T. Margison (Wakefield), 3 and 2.
J. K. Tate (Alnmouth) beat I. H. Ritchie (Cambuslang), 1 hole.
R. Siderowf (US) beat F. C. Black (Prestonfield), 2 and 1.
M. N. D. Barton (Worthing) beat C. R. Ciesielwicz (Northamptonshire), 4 and 3.
J. P. Grace (US) beat J. Boston (Royal County Down), 5 and 4.
G. Marks (Trentham) beat D. Kirk (US), 8 and 7.
C. A. Banks (Stanton-on-the-Wolds) beat M. A. Poxon (Whittington Barracks), 1 hole.
D. M. Moffat (City of Newcastle) beat R. Stewart (SA), 4 and 3.
N. A. Faldo (Welwyn Garden City) beat J. Davies (Royal Mid-Surrey), 4 and 3.
G. Godwin (Thorndon Park) beat B. J. Winteridge (Stoneham), 2 and 1.
T. Bridle (Dulwich and Sydenham Hill) beat I. Quick (Frinton-on-Sea), 1 hole.
P. Mulcare (Woodbrook) beat J. R. Ball (Filton), 4 and 3.
W. J. Reid (Putwell) beat P. Hedges (Langley Park), at 22nd.
C. Stadler (US) beat W. B. Hoon (Royal Aberdeen), 1 hole.
R. A. Biggs (Royal Liverpool) beat R. Foster (Bradford), 5 and 4.
A. Brodie beat M. J. Kelly, 4 and 3.
M. H. Lydgate beat N. S. Kelly, 5 and 3.
G. Harvey (Craigie Hill) beat G. Koch (US), at 20th.
N. Price beat J. Davis, 1 hole.
A. W. B. Lyle beat C. W. Green, 2 and 1.
M. James beat D. N. Turner, 3 and 2.
G. Brand (Baildon) beat M. J. Miller (Cawder), at 21st.
I. Mackenzie beat P. Downs, at 21st.
C. S. Mitchell beat G. Levenson, at 19th.
J. W. Long beat H. E. Swash, 2 and 1.

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds
1	428	4	10	409
2	369	4	11	200
3	505	5	12	454
4	195	3	13	157
5	449	4	14	517
6	423	4	15	460
7	200	3	16	533
8	479	5	17	418
9	393	4	18	395
Out	3,441	36	In	3,538

Rugby League

Francis out of Welsh side

Brisbane, June 4.—Wales will use all their players apart from the fullback, Francis, when they play their world Rugby League championship warm-up match, against Ipswich, 25 miles from here, tomorrow. The match will be Wales's first in Australia and precedes world championship clashes with England under floodlights here next Tuesday and Australia at Sydney cricket ground on Saturday week.

Francis fell heavily in training today and injured a thigh. He was ruled out of tomorrow's game but should be fit for the England match.

Ron Simpson, manager of the Welsh team, said that the captain, Watkins, would play at full back in place of Francis. "We are hoping for a hard match to prepare for the match against England on Tuesday night," Mr Simpson said. "There is good team spirit and the lads will be in peak mental and physical condition."

Mr Simpson said there was more than series points involved on Tuesday night. "There is the satisfaction of beating England

The Ipswich coach, Ed Matrey, said: "I'm hoping for a hot, humid Queensland day. My players are young and fit and we'll try to make Wales run a bit early on, just to see how they shape up."

IPSWICH: L. Shomello; L. Dionisus, P. White, W. Gillam, J. Castle, L. Tewes (captain), A. Clark, W. Michael, G. Richards, K. Hardwick, K. Dixon, D. Harrower, G. Biggam.

WALES: D. Watkins (captain); C. Sullivan, F. Wilson, D. Willicombe, R. Mathias; G. Turner, P. Banner; K. Coslett, C. Dixon, J. Mantle, R. Wanbon, J. Mills, T. Fisher. Reserves: E. Cunningham, M. Nicholas, B. Butler, R. Evans, D. Treasure, P. Rowe.—Reuter

Rugby Union

Scots score five tries: pack's encouraging form

Hawkes Bay 0 Scotland XV 30

Napier, June 4.—Scotland ran in five tries as they crushed Hawkes Bay in the fourth match of their New Zealand tour today. They led 7—0 at halftime.

McGeechan, playing at stand-off half, scored two tries and Dick, Irvine and McHarg one each. Irvine kicked a penalty goal and Morgan two conversions and a penalty.

After defeats in their previous two matches, against Otago and Canterbury, it was a pleasing result for the Scots, with the form of their forwards particularly encouraging. McHarg, the London Scottish lock, was outstanding, winning the ball consistently from the line-outs and showing up time and again in broken play. Fisher, the Waterloo hooker, had an auspicious first game, winning 10 tight-heads off Hunt, eight of them in the second half.

With a steady stream of possession, and conditions firm, the Scottish backs were able to show their paces. Even the fullback, Hay, came into the act, making a number of probing runs which created opportunities for Irvine and Dick.

Hawkes Bay matched the Scots in the first half but then were gradually overwhelmed. They were not helped by inaccurate place kicking by Francis and O'Connor, who missed six penalties.

The Scots play Wellington on Saturday and after that have one more match, against Bay of Plenty at Rotorua on Tuesday, before the game against the All Blacks in Auckland on June 14.

HAWKES BAY: J. Francis; V. Costello, R. Brenner, R. P. Hunter, J. Eddy; R. Gallagher, M. Donaldson; Z. Marinkovich, P. J. Ryan, R. Stuart, P. McGarva, T. Carter, B. Dunstan, R. Hunt, J. O'Connor.

SCOTLAND XV: B. H. Hay; A. R. Irvine, J. N. M. Frame, G. A. Birkett, L. G. Dick; I. R. McGeechan, D. W. Morgan; A. B. Carmichael, C. D. Fisher, J. McLauchlan, I. A. Barnes, A. F. McHarg, W. Lauder, D. G. Leslie, W. S. Watson.—Reuter.

CAPE TOWN: Coloured XV 3, French XV 37.

England may benefit soon from tour of Australia

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent

Whatever mistakes may have been made in the original choices for the England rugby tour of Australia, the selectors, in their determination to try out new players, have produced some undoubted bonuses that may bear domestic fruits rather sooner than some of the cynics expected. Those who did well still have to prove themselves better than some of those who were left behind, but men like Maxwell in the centre, Hignell at full back, the stand off halves, Bennett and Wordsworth, and the locks, Wilkinson, Beaumont and Mantell have seized their chances and all must be better players for the experience.

The success of Maxwell should sound a warning to southern critics such as myself who cannot see enough football in the north. He has no great finesse, but he is quick, strong and direct, he keeps the line straight, he has the personality to lead, and, above all perhaps, he has good judgment. Hignell made an auspicious international appearance, his fielding and devastating tackling being beyond reproach. He has a clear edge over Butler in pace and defence, but in positioning and line kicking the Gloucester full back retains an advantage. Butler is a sound footballer whose well timed intrusions and adroit touches served England well.

Bennett, around whom much revolved, was playing with such panache and confidence that his back strain was a misfortune hard to bear. Wordsworth, who is not gregarious by nature, preferring to paddle his own quiet canoe, for some time was scarcely given a fair crack of the whip. After winning a cap as a replacement in testing circumstances in Sydney, he took his chance well against Queensland, when he looked the exciting prospect he undoubtedly is. Had he played in the Brisbane international I do not think he would have let England down. The comfort is that England have, in Bennett and Wordsworth, two very promising young standoffs, different though their styles may be.

Wilkinson, so long on the fringes after a dashing and much trumpeted start to his career, had a splendid game in his first international last Saturday. He looks now to be maturing into a formidable all-round forward. His two-handed catching at the line out and speed and technique in the open gave him an ultimate edge over Beaumont and Mantell. However, no one worked harder or more bravely than Beaumont, who was battered and bruised in almost every game he played. He also contributed much in open field play. Mantell, whose finest hour was against New South Wales, earned his cap in Sydney but had the ill luck to play there in a beaten pack.

Kingston made a lot of mistakes at scrum half but reserved his best game for the second international. The chirpy, chunky Orum has a greater physical presence and a competitive desire to use it, but he is basically a left-footed kicker at present, and selectors seem invariably to set too much store by minus factors, not enough by the positive ones. I am left with a suspicion that the best side in Australia would have had Hignall at scrum half and Butler at full back. That is not to say that Orum may not develop with experience into a very good player.

Of the other new players, all of whom were cast as understudies and therefore had limited opportunities, the irrepressible Wyatt played with typical resource on the left wing after a nervous first game. He is a jaunty, enterprising footballer whom I rated second only to Bennett in the party as a two-footed kicker. It might have been interesting to see him at full back, with Hignell, whose left is not so strong, at scrum half.

The England team arrive back in London this morning.

Boxing

Britons go down to the East Europeans

Katowice, Poland, June 4.—British boxers went down before the steady advance of the East Europeans yesterday; but England's Garfield McEwan scored a fine victory over Laszlo Pakodzi, of Hungary. McEwan unleashed a stiff right early in round one and it floored the Hungarian, who took a count of eight. Still groggy, he got up, but after a brief consultation between the referee and the Hungarian corner Pakodzi was withdrawn. McEwan meets Rajko Milic, of Yugoslavia, on Thursday, in the quarter-final round.

Also in the heavyweight division, Peter Hussing gave West Germany their first win in the competition, beating Atanas Suwandzijev, of Bulgaria. Hussing, a bulkier, taller man, took a lot of punishment from the Bulgarian, but survived two heavy blows to go on and win on points in a contest which ended in a cumbersome exchange of wild, swinging body blows.

Another tall boxer, K. Wiberg, of Sweden, was no match for M. Simon, of Romania, also at heavyweight. The Swede was slow and seemed incapable of dodging Simon's right hooks. He twice hit the canvas before the referee stopped the proceedings in the second round.

Although he lost, Charles Nash, of Ireland, put up a strong fight against Simion Cuntov, of Romania, and surprised him with a consistent straight left and right hook. Clinton McKenzie, of England, did better than expected against Valery Limasov, of the Soviet Union. He lost, but one judge gave him the bout and another scored it a draw.

Desmond Gwilliam, of England, outpointed A. Copp, of Wales, at lightweight to enter the quarter-final round, some of the results of which included:

LIGHT-FLYWEIGHT: E. Rodriguez (Spain) beat M. Lawless (Scotland), pts. R. Cosma (Romania) beat D. Gelich (East Germany), pts.
FLY: W. Zasypko (USSR) beat S. Limanowski (Yugoslavia), pts. C. Magri (England) beat D. Lamour (Ireland), pts.
WELTER: K. Marjaama (Finland) beat G. A. Saez (Spain), third round. J. Rybicki (Poland) beat W. Bodnia (USSR), pts.
LIGHT-MIDDLE: W. Rudkowski (Poland) beat T. Kemel (Czechoslovakia), pts. F. Dorter (Austria) knocked out L. Iliev (Bulgaria), third round.
MIDDLE: Z. Tyrva (Czechoslovakia) beat N. Kuran (Turkey), third round. B. Wittenberg (East Germany) beat S. Martin (Spain), pts.

Bugner ranked third

Mexico City, June 3.—Joe Bugner has been ranked third in the world by the World Boxing Council. This is the highest position ever obtained by a British heavyweight in the WBC rankings.—Agence France-Presse.

How Frankham became the new pin-up boy

A pin used in Johnny Frankham's corner may well have been the deciding factor in enabling him to win the vacant British light-heavyweight championship against Chris Finnegan at the Albert Hall on Tuesday. Bobby Neill, Frankham's manager, said: "We were concerned that John might fade towards the end. Joe Devitt, the trainer, had this pin and every round from the eleventh I slapped John and Joe stuck the pin in his backside just to remind him to keep going at all costs.

The Finnegan camp are far from happy with the verdict of Harry Gibbs, the referee, who gave the match to Frankham by half a point. "I have not yet met any good judge of boxing who thought that Frankham won", Sam Burns, Finnegan's manager, said, "and while I realise that the verdict is final, and that nothing will change it, I must do the next best thing and get Finnegan another chance."

WELTERWEIGHT: John Stracey (Bethnal Green) beat Ruben Vasquez (Mexico), eighth round.
FEATHER: Vernon Sollas (Edinburgh) beat Alberto Reyes (California), first round.
LIGHT-WELTER: Joey Singleton (Liverpool) beat Alan Salter (Peckham), pts.
WELTER: Dave Green (Chatteris) beat Angus McMillan (Glasgow).
LIGHT-MIDDLE: Albert Hillman (Orpington) beat Roy Mocceslonne (Luton).
HEAVY: Danny McAlinden (Coventry) knocked out Hartmut Sasse (West Germany), fifth round.

IT rider killed

Mr Philip Gurner, aged of Dinnington, near Sheffi was killed instantly yester in the Isle of Man senior motor cycle race in a cr after he had averaged m than 98 mph.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston Sox 4, Chicago White Sox 0; Balti Orioles 6, Texas Rangers 5; Ka City Royals 5, Cleveland Indian New York Yankees 5, Minnesota T 4; Detroit Tigers 8, California Ar 5; Milwaukee Brewers 5, Oak Athletics 4.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Chicago 6, San Francisco Giants 5; Phil phia Phillies 12, San Diego Padre Cincinnati Reds 6, Pittsburgh Pi 4; New York Mets 3, Houston A 5; St Louis Cardinals 4, Atl Braves 2; Los Angeles Dodgers Montreal Expos 5.

Yachting

White builds up big points lead

By John Nicholls

Yesterday's racing, on fourth day of Weymouth Oly week, was the best so far in series for all six classes ta part. The wind was a conside force three south-westerly, ta the craws brains rather than brawn. All the races started time, give or take a general r or two.

The conditions also helped confirm the form of the var class leaders and most of them solidated their positions. Regi White, in the Tornados, Philip Crebbin, in his 470, won their third races of the w and White now has a consider lead on total points. His nea rival, Kim Stephens, was a second yesterday, but has alr used up his discard. White's w result so far is a second.

Crebbin is also discardin second place at the moment has a much tighter group of he men pursuing him. The Fre man Jean-Louis Guyader, Martin twins (Nicholas Robert) and Michael Arnold all within a few points of other. However Crebbin's exudes confidence on the w and it is difficult at this stag see anyone beating him.

The French brothers, Yves Marc Pajot, are still leading in Flying Dutchman class altho they lost some of their overall on points by finishing only s yesterday. The East German w champion, Ilja Wolf, closed gap by winning the fourth from the so far disappoint Rodney Pattisson. Pattisson now fourth on points with ano of the East Germans, Dr Meister, lying third.

The Tempests are a big appointment this week, with eight or nine starters each Olympic silver medal winner, Warren and the Irishman, D Wilkins, are racing more or on their own, with Wilkins lea overall by virtue of winning races to Warren's one.

The Finn class is still fa open, although, by winning yes day for the second t Christopher Law has edged ah of Norman Starling and Jonat Webb. Charles Ingham won second Soling race in success and now leads on points from J Watson and Ted Fort.

SOLING: 1, C. Ingham; 2, J. War 3, J. Allen; 4, R. Heaslime; 5, Lean-Vercoe; 6, C. Gurney.
TEMPEST: 1, D. Wilkins (Irela 2, A. Warren; 3, R. Cole; 4, F. Ke 5, G. Hockett; 6, S. Scrimgeour.
TORNADO: 1, R. White; 2, Stephens; 3, F. Williams; 4, N. Coo 5, Robert White; 6, D. Campb James.
FLYING DUTCHMAN: 1, I. W (East Germany); 2, R. Pattisson; H. Hüttner (East Germany); 4, Musto; 5, D. Meister (East Germa 6, Y. Pajot (France).
FINN: 1, C. Law; 2, J. Turner M. Astley; 4, D. Munge; 5, V. Stran 6, J. Webb.
470: 1, P. Crebbin; 2, M. Arn 3, J. Guyader (France); 4, N. Mar 5, E. Owen; 6, M. Follenfant (Franc

LLANFRANCH (Spain): Europ Finn championship, second race: Maury (France), 0 pts; 2, Blek (Brazil), 3; 3, Schroeder (East G many), 5.7; 4, Howlett (GB), Overall: Binkhorst (Netherlands), 1 pts.

Motor cycling

ISLE OF MAN: International 50 senior TT (six laps, 226.38 miles): M. Grant (Kawasaki), 2hr 18 27.6sec (100.27 mph); 2, C. Willia (Yamaha), 2:18:58.8 (99.88); 3, Mortimer (Yamaha), 2:18:2 (98.15); 4, W. Guthrie (Yamah 2:18:26.2 (98.11); 5, S. Tom (Yamaha), 2:19:33.3 (97.35); 6, Barry (Yamsel), 2:19:34.8 (97.5 International 1,000cc sidecar TT (thr laps, 113.19 miles): 1, S. Schau (West Germany), BMW, 1:9 (97.85, new record); 2, R. Greas (Yamaha), 1:10:55 (96.28); 3, Ha Baret (Konig), 1:13:50.6 (92.78); G. Milton (British Magnum), 1:15 (90.63); 5, K. Graham (Suzuk 1:16:20 (88.97); 6, D. Lawrer (Limpet), 1:17:20 (87.92).

Boxing

MIAMI: R. Duran (Panama) knock out J. Peterson (Puerto Rico), fi round.

Cricket

Jameson displays yet another talent as Warwickshire win

By Alan Gibson

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire beat Essex by seven wickets.

If you lose your first five wickets for 16 runs, as Essex did, it is hard to get back into a 55 over match. It says quite a lot for their spirit that they still managed to make Warwickshire work for their win.

Of those first five wickets, the loss of which threw Essex into disarray, four were taken by Rouse, who bowled with his left arm at a brisk medium pace. He has these destructive spells from time to time, when neither he nor the batsmen are sure what is going to happen next. He took his wickets amidst a flurry of wides and no balls, and with some aid and abetment from the Essex batsmen. Nevertheless, when he went off with a damaged ankle after seven overs and a bit, Rouse had taken four for 22, and could already look back on a good day's work. Ken Barrington gave him the gold award, and certainly nobody made a more telling contribution to the match, though Edmeades and Kallicharran were both to play innings of high quality. It is the second time Rouse has won one of these awards.

Only two stands in the Essex innings were of consequence: Edmeades and Pont put on 76 for the sixth wicket, Edmeades and Lever 52 for the last. Edmeades was out to what would in any case have been the last ball of the innings. He scored 85 of 123 from the bat while he was in.

The other successful Warwickshire bowler was Jameson, who was accurate with his little off cutters, and made a large, sudden hole in the tail of Essex's coat just when they were beginning to look presentable. Mr Barrington, who is of course a selector, *commented wryly in his speech* on Jameson's performance: here he is, chosen for England as a batsman and *deputy wicketkeeper*, and what does he do but start taking wickets!

Warwickshire batted for only 38 overs to score the runs, but they had to survive a stiff spell by Boyce, who took the wickets of Amiss and Jameson, and with a touch of luck might have had a couple more. When Jameson was second out the score was only 30. M. J. K. Smith played agreeably and comfortably for a while, but when he gave a catch to square leg, in the twenty-sixth over, Warwickshire still needed 63 runs, and a quick break in the *next partnership might still* have brought a crisis. Kallicharran and Kanhai, however, hardly ever looked in difficulty.

ESSEX

S. R. Hardie, c Jameson, b Brown .. 2
K. S. McEwan, c Bourne, b Rouse .. 7
*K. W. R. Fletcher, b Rouse .. 0
G. A. Gooch, l-b-w, b Rouse .. 5
B. E. A. Edmeades, b Brown .. 85
K. D. Boyce, l-b-w, b Rouse .. 0
K. R. Pont, c Jameson, b Hemmings .. 36
S. Turner, c Murray, b Jameson .. 0
R. E. East, c Hemmings, b Jameson .. 0
†N. Smith, l-b-w, b Jameson .. 4
J. K. Lever, not out .. 12
Extras (b 2, l-b 3, w 5, n-b 5) .. 15
Total (46 overs) .. 153

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—10, 2—10, 3—15, 4—16, 5—16, 6—94, 7—95, 8—96, 9—102, 10—153.

BOWLING: Brown, 11—3—33—2; Rouse, 7—0—22—4; Perryman, 7—3—10—0; Bourne, 8—0—35—0; Hemmings, 11—2—34—1; Jameson, 11—4—16—3.

WARWICKSHIRE

J. A. Jameson, b Boyce .. 22
D. L. Amiss, c Smith, b Boyce .. 1
A. I. Kallicharran, not out .. 71
M. J. K. Smith, c Gooch, b Edmeades .. 15
R. B. Kanhai, not out .. 33
Extras (b 1, l-b 9, w 1, n-b 1) .. 12
Total (3 wkts, 37.5 overs) .. 154

†D. L. Murray, E. E. Hemmings, S. J. Rouse, W. A. Bourne, *D. J. Brown, S. P. Perryman did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—4, 2—30, 3—90.

BOWLING: Boyce, 11—1—40—2; Lever, 9—0—40—0; Turner, 8—2—21—0; East, 5—0—10—0; Edmeades, 3.5—0—31—1.

Umpires: R. Aspinall and W. E. Phillipson.

Tolchard the right man at the right time

By Peter Marson

LEICESTER: Leicestershire beat Lancashire by two wickets.

A brilliant and timely innings by Roger Tolchard, who was virtually the last hope when he came in at the fall of the fourth wicket—100 runs had then to be made from 48 overs—put Leicestershire into the semi-final round of the Benson and Hedges Cup competition for the third time. Tolchard, who made 57 not out, was much assisted by McVicker, with whom he put on 38 runs in 10 overs and, in those last tense moments, when Leicestershire got home with nine balls to spare, by McKenzie.

Leicestershire's strategy sustained a shock in the tenth over when Steele was run out and Balderstone caught behind with the score 20. Twenty minutes play was then lost through bad light and the first shower of rain and when Dudleston was leg before soon afterwards, Illingworth came to join Davison. For 12 overs wherein the pair put on 40 runs all was well, but in the twenty-seventh over Illingworth was bowled by Simmons, and when David Lloyd brought back Lever, a purple patch of three overs gave him the wickets of Davison, and next ball that of Birkenshaw, brilliantly caught by Engineer diving to his left. That meant that with six wickets down the target for Tolchard and the three faster bowlers was 72 runs from 22 overs.

At 6.10 Leicestershire had got to 127 for six in the fortieth over when a second shower held up play for 20 minutes. No sooner *had the players returned* than Cross fell leg before, and the final passage was begun.

Illingworth had won the toss and put Lancashire in to bat. Wood and his bespectacled captain, David Lloyd, made a tentative beginning against an accurate opening spell by McKenzie and Higgs. The accuracy and *steadiness of Leicestershire's* bowlers, fast and slow, who were *admirably supported* by a keen field, gave them an initiative they were never to lose.

By the time Lancashire's innings had been completed at 2.40, only three of their batsmen had enjoyed any measure of success and, but for a dashing display by Hayes, Lancashire's position would have been precarious indeed. Wood was out in the fifth over, caught at slip, but when David Lloyd and Hayes, who together put on 70 runs for the second wicket, had seemed to have dug themselves in satisfactorily, Lloyd got out. He *had played the slow bowling* well and now as he advanced up the pitch to Illingworth, Lloyd mistimed his stroke, the ball running low down to Tolchard's pads and thence on to the wicket.

LANCASHIRE

B. Wood, c Birkenshaw, b McKenzie .. 6
*D. Lloyd, st Tolchard, b Illingworth .. 37
F. C. Hayes, c Cross, b McKenzie .. 67
C. H. Lloyd, c Tolchard, b Steele .. 0
A. Kennedy, run out .. 31
†F. M. Engineer, b Higgs .. 9
J. Simmons, c and b Higgs .. 6
D. P. Hughes, c Tolchard, b Higgs .. 8
K. Shuttleworth, not out .. 3
P. Lever, not out .. 1
Extras (l-b 6, w 5, n-b 1) .. 12
Total (8 wkts, 55 overs) .. 180

P. Lee did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—19, 2—80, 3—81, 4—137, 5—154, 6—161, 7—171, 8—175.

BOWLING: McKenzie, 11—2—43—2; Higgs, 11—2—38—3; Cross, 6—0—28—0; McVicker, 5—1—12—0; Illingworth, 11—3—27—1; Steele, 11—2—31—1.

LEICESTERSHIRE

B. Dudleston, l-b-w, b Shuttleworth .. 18
J. F. Steele, run out .. 4
J. C. Balderstone, c Engineer, b Lee .. 4
B. F. Davison, l-b-w, b Lever .. 40
*R. Illingworth, b Simmons .. 22
†R. W. Tolchard, not out .. 57
J. Birkenshaw, c Engineer, b Lever .. 0
G. F. Cross, l-b-w, b Lee .. 6
N. M. McVicker, c Engineer, b C. Lloyd .. 12
G. D. McKenzie, not out .. 0
Extras (b 4, l-b 12, w 1, n-b 3) .. 20
Total (8 wkts, 53.3 overs) .. 183

K. Higgs did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—16, 2—20, 3—41, 4—81, 5—103, 6—103, 7—120.

BOWLING: Lever, 11—2—24—2; Lee, 10—3—22—2; Shuttleworth, 11—1—32—1; Wood, 11—2—39—0; Simmons, 6—1—31—1; Hughes, 3—0—15—0; C. Lloyd, 1.3—0—10—1.

Umpires: C. G. Pepper and A. E. G. Rhodes.

Schools cricket

Gadwell 91; *Forest 94 for 1. Haberdashers' Aske's, Elstree 184 for 6 dec (R. Moulding 69); St Albans 65. Bradfield 201 for 4 dec (P. A. Beecroft 100 not out); *St Peter's 194, MCC 185 for 9 dec.

Oxford U v Combined Services

AT OXFORD

COMBINED SERVICES: First innings

Cpl D. McCall, c Fisher, b Bolton .. 23
Flt-Lt R. Spandler, c Pathmanathan, b Brettell .. 70
L-Cpl L. N. Sanderson, c Brettell, b Marks .. 73
Flt-Sgt F. E. Boneham, c Wingfield-Digby, b Brettell .. 4
Lt-Cdr R. C. Moylan-Jones, c Wingfield-Digby, b Siviter .. 49
*Lt M. J. Robinson, not out .. 63
Bmbdr. M. Alexander, not out .. 2
Extras (b 5, l-b 6, w 1, n-b 12) .. 22
Total (5 wkts, dec) .. 305

L Cpl R. J. Davies, FAC S. N. Bynoe, †Flt-Lt A. W. P. Fleming, Sgt J. R. Bell did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—37, 2—163, 3—184, 4—189, 5—284.

BOWLING: Siviter, 14—3—52—1; Wingfield-Digby, 18—5—47—0; Bolton, 23—3—78—1; Brettell, 30—5—89—2; Marks, 18—7—37—1.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First innings

V. J. Marks, not out .. 25
A. Mitra, not out .. 27
Extras (b 1, l-b 4) .. 5
Total (no wkt) .. 57

G. Pathmanathan, W. R. Watson, R. W. A. Order, D. Price, *A. R. Wingfield-Digby, †P. B. Fisher, D. Brettell, N. D. Bolton, K. Siviter to bat.

Umpires: B. P. Cross and W. W. Fawley.

Surrey v Ceylon

AT THE OVAL

Ceylon beat Surrey by seven wickets.

SURREY

†L. E. Skinner, c Fernando, b Opatha .. 15
A. R. Butcher, b Opatha .. 18
D. R. Owen-Thomas, c Ranasinghe, b Kalamperuma .. 52
Younis Ahmed, c Fernando, b Ranasinghe .. 66
G. R. J. Roope, run out .. 46
D. M. Smith, not out .. 25
Intikhab Alam, not out .. 13
Extras (b 6, lb 3, nb 5) .. 14
Total (60 overs) .. 249

*J. H. Edrich, R. P. Baker, A. O. C. Verrinder, A. J. Mack did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—35, 2—36, 3—105, 4—141, 5—202.

BOWLING: Opatha, 12—1—33—2; Pieris, 12—2—32—0; Kalamperuma, 12—0—37—1; De Silva, 12—1—49—0; Ranasinghe, 8—1—26—1; Heyn, 4—0—28—0.

CEYLON

†R. Fernando, c Skinner, b Intikhab Alam .. 37
B. Warnapura, b Intikhab Alam .. 40
D. Heyn, c sub, b Younis .. 48
*A. Tennekoon, not out .. 29
D. Mendis, not out .. 41
Extras (l-b 8, n-b 2) .. 10
Total (3 wkts, 56.5 overs) .. 220

M. Tissera, A. Ranasinghe, M. Pieris, A. Opatha, S. De Silva, L. Kalamperuma did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—106, 2—110, 3—199.

BOWLING: Baker, 10—1—32—0; Mack, 8—0—30—0; Verrinder, 10—0—42—0; Butcher, 4—0—20—0; Roope, 2—0—12—0; Intikhab, 8—5—1—51—2; Smith, 6—0—20—0; Younis, 8—0—33—1.

Umpires: A. E. D. Smith and D. E. E. Collins.

Today's cricket

OXFORD: Oxford University v Combined Services.

PRE-TOUR MATCHES

CARDIFF: Glamorgan v East Africa.

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Ceylon.

NOTTINGHAM: Nottinghamshire v West Indians.

THE OVAL: Surrey v Pakistanis.

HOVE: Sussex v New Zealanders.

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Indians.

MINOR COUNTIES

MARCH: Cambridgeshire v Bedfordshire.

SOUTHPORT: Lancashire II v Somerset II.

Minor Counties

WROXETER: Shropshire 268 for 7 dec; Somerset II 92 and 135 (D. Slade 5 for 18). Shropshire won by an innings and 31 runs.

MARCH: Bedfordshire 146 for 5 dec (D. C. Wing 4 for 40); Cambridgeshire 130 for 5 (J. Harvey 52 not out).

Middlesex win off first ball of last over

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

LORD'S: Middlesex beat Yorkshire by four wickets.

This was a thrilling match, won by *Middlesex off the first ball of the* last over. Needing 183 they had been in danger of not getting them until Radley and Edmonds took seven off the 53rd over of the Middlesex innings, bowled by Stevenson, and eight off the 54th, bowled by Oldham.

In their efforts to deny Middlesex Yorkshire's young attack (Old was their only bowler with a county cap) did extraordinarily well, the ball followed uneven heights, especially at the Nursery end; but length was of the essence and *except in those late* overs Yorkshire never forgot that. *I was sorry they left their* spinners out; not that spin would *have been especially likely to win* them the day.

First Smith, in partnership with Brearley; then Murray (promoted to number four in recognition of his recent form), in partnership with *Featherstone*; then Radley and Featherstone *took Middlesex* to 147 for five after 48 overs. That was the score when Featherstone was out. At 120 for four he had survived, miraculously, a dreadful muddle between the wickets with Radley. Looking back on it that could have been the crucial moment of the match. Featherstone escaped, *in spite of* being on the floor, three or four *yards, from home*, when Lumb, coming in from coverpoint, had the ball in his hands.

Even when Featherstone was leg before there was still plenty to do. As there was when Gomes, in the 51st over, was bowled. Middlesex still had to get 26 from the last three overs and a bit. But Radley *was blossoming by now*, and in Edmonds he found a strong and confident partner. These two ran well, taking the chances offered by a farflung field and in the end by two bowlers for whom the occasion was just too much. If they are drawn at home in the semifinal round Middlesex will play at the Oval, *Lord's* being booked for the match between the *Australians and MCC*.

Yorkshire's innings, as so often, had *revolved round* Boycott. As long as he was there they must have had their sights on 200 at least. Once he was gone, caught down the legside in the 37th over for 58, Old became the key figure, although for a few overs Leadbeater showed an unexpected turn of form. With Leadbeater hitting around him Yorkshire were 167 for four at the start of the 52nd over. Off the last ball of the last available over they were all out for 182, four of their last six wickets having fallen to Lamb.

No one watching the wild hitting to be seen at the end of most limited-over innings should want this form of cricket to have first class standing.

The start of Yorkshire's innings was in the sharpest contrast. After seven overs Boycott and Lumb had *made seven, and when, after 24* overs, they had only got to 52, Boycott signalled to Hampshire, who was not yet padded up, to come in when the first wicket fell. If Boycott paced his innings well enough there seemed to be little justification for Lumb taking 28 overs over 22. After that Yorkshire were always struggling to catch up with the clock. Old could still have done some damage when *Smith* caught him in front of the committee room, and *Sidebottom, the* Manchester United centre half, *showed his spirit but lacked the* space to have much impact.

There was some good keen Middlesex fielding. Having watched him each day this week I reckon that Smith must be one of the best there is now, in the middle distances. Butcher was spectacularly good at times; Brearley held a splendid running catch, and Murray had his usual bag behind the stumps. Of the bowlers, none did a better job than Edmonds, who had his 11 overs off the reel at a *time when Yorkshire were* hoping to get up steam. He deserved to be in the running for the gold award, though for giving it to Radley no one could really have taken issue with D. V. P. Wright.



Boycott hooks Gomes for four at Lord's yesterday

YORKSHIRE

*G. Boycott, c Murray, b Lamb .. 58
R. G. Lumb, b Brearley, b Titmus .. 22
J. H. Hampshire, c Titmus, b Edmonds .. 3
C. M. Old, c Smith, b Titmus .. 33
B. *Leadbeater*, b *Lamb* .. 35
A. Sidebottom, c Murray, b Lamb .. 11
D. L. Bairstow, l-b-w, b Lamb .. 2
H. P. *Cooper*, c Murray, b Selvey .. 2
G. B. Stevenson, b Lamb .. 1
S. Oldham, run out .. 0
A. L. Robinson, not out .. 1
Extras (lb 4) .. 4
Total (55 overs) .. 182

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—68, 2—73, 3—73, 4—141, 5—167, 6—168, 7—177, 8—179, 9—181, 10—182.

BOWLING: Selvey, 11—1—22—1; Lamb, 11—0—44—5; Gomes, 11—2—43—0; Edmonds, 11—3—24—1; Titmus, 11—0—40—2.

MIDDLESEX

M. J. *Smith*, l-b-w, b *Sidebottom* .. 32
R. O. Butcher, b Robinson .. 4
*J. M. Brearley, c Bairstow, b Sidebottom .. 15
†J. T. Murray, b Cooper .. 32
N. G. Featherstone, l-b-w, b Robinson .. 38
C. T. Radley, not out .. 30
H. A. Gomes, b Stevenson .. 4
P. H. Edmonds, not out .. 15
Extras (l-b 11, w 2, n-b 6) .. 19
Total (6 wkts, 54.1 overs) .. 183

F. J. Titmus, T. M. Lamb, M. W. W. Selvey did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—50, 3—76, 4—97, 5—147, 6—157.

BOWLING: Old, 11—0—43—0; Robinson, 11—2—31—2; Stevenson, 9.1—0—28—1; Sidebottom, 11—4—18—2; Cooper, 7—1—18—1; Oldham, 5—0—26—0.

Umpires: H. Horton and B. J. Meyer.

Sainsbury's wily performance decisive

By Richard Streeton

SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire beat Somerset by 50 runs.

Some wily, old fashioned slow bowling by Peter Sainsbury, who learned the art of left-arm flight and spin before the modern limited-overs competitions were introduced, played a major role yesterday as Hampshire reached the semi-final round of the Benson and Hedges Cup. Sainsbury dismissed the three left-handers, Rose, Denning and Close, at a stage when Somerset needed to accelerate their run rate. Despite some brilliant hitting by the West India, Vivian Richards, the Hampshire total *of 223 finally proved* too much for Somerset.

The value *of spin bowling* in one-day cricket is often denigrated. *Figures* compiled by Mr Derek Lodge, the Cricket Society *statistical* officer, show that Underwood and Sainsbury are the only slow bowlers to pass 150 wickets in English cricket's one-day competitions since they began in 1962. Up to the start of this summer Underwood, with 208 wickets, heads the list. Then come a cluster of pace bowlers before Sainsbury, *with 166 wickets, is* reached. I should imagine that *few spells of his bowling* were more valuable than yesterday's.

Hampshire *in the field* were without M. N. S. Taylor, who *pulled* a hamstring while batting, and Jesty was moving carefully because of a torn stomach muscle. Rose and D. J. S. Taylor successfully played through the opening spell from Roberts and Herman and a great deal depended on Sainsbury not being collared when he was brought on as first change.

It goes almost without saying that Sainsbury immediately struck an immaculate length. He used the wind cleverly, obtained some ... and gave the batsmen little peace. He finished with three wickets for 29 *from his 11 overs*. In his seventh and eighth overs he had Rose and Denning caught behind trying to cut and in his ninth Close was taken at deep point, again trying to cut against the spin.

It was a performance which effectively turned the match Hampshire's way and Godfrey Evans, the adjudicator, gave Sainsbury the gold award. It has been a memorable week for 40-year-old Sainsbury, *who on Tuesday hit a* championship century.

While *Sainsbury* was bowling, Somerset lost their Taylor twin to a run-out from a magnificent throw by Roberts at long leg to the bowler's end. Burgess briefly threatened to stay with Vivian Richards but skied a return catch to Jesty. The rest was Richards. He pulled two magnificent sixes and for 23 overs confirmed his rising stature, but he lacked the necessary *support at the other end*.

On a fastish pitch and outfield *Somerset did* well to restrict Hampshire to a smaller total than might have been the case. Barry Richards and Greenidge laid an ideal foundation; Turner and Jesty kept things moving briskly; and when Gilliat was fifth out in the 49th over the Hampshire total was 189. But the run rate did not rise quite as much as might have been expected, partly because of M. N. S. Taylor's restricted movements and partly because the later batsmen *heaved and swished* spectacularly but none too profitably. All credit to the Somerset bowlers and particularly Moseley ...

The day's best piece of barracking came when Roberts pulled one of only two balls he received for six. "Give him a bouncer" was the tactless advice shouted to Jones, the unfortunate bowler.

HAMPSHIRE

B. A. Richards, l-b-w, b Botham .. 34
C. G. Greenidge, c Burgess, b Cartwright .. 33
D. R. Turner, c *Botham*, b *Moseley* .. 40
T. E. Jesty, c Cartwright, b Moseley .. 33
*R. M. C. *Gilliat*, c *Rose*, b *Jones* .. 27
M. N. S. Taylor, b Botham .. 8
J. M. Rice, b Botham .. 12
†G. R. *Stephenson*, c *Richards*, b Jones .. 9
P. J. Sainsbury, not out .. 3
A. M. E. Roberts, run out .. 7
R. S. Herman, run out .. 0
Extras (l-b 13, w 3, b 3) .. 19
Total (55 overs) .. 223

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—73, 2—78, 3—156, 4—161, 5—189, 6—196, 7—212, 8—214, 9—221, 10—223.

BOWLING: Jones, 11—0—62—2; *Moseley*, 11—3—26—2; Botham, 11—2—56—3; Burgess, 11—0—45—0; Cartwright, 11—1—25—1.

SOMERSET

*D. J. S. Taylor, run out .. 30
B. C. Rose, c Stephenson, b Sainsbury .. 16
P. W. Denning, c Stephenson, b Sainsbury .. 4
I. V. A. *Richards*, *not out* .. 62
*D. B. Close, c Jesty, b Sainsbury .. 15
G. I. Burgess, c and b Jesty .. 24
I. T. *Botham*, b *Rice* .. 7
D. Breakwell, c sub, b Rice .. 3
T. W. Cartwright, run out .. 3
H. R. Moseley, b *Jesty* .. 0
A. A. Jones, b Herman .. 0
Extras (l-b 10) .. 10
Total (45.3 overs) .. 173

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—50, 2—54, 3—69, 4—93, 5—133, 6—153, 7—158, 8—171, 9—171, 10—173.

BOWLING: Roberts, 7—2—36—0; Herman, 6.3—3—9—1; Sainsbury, 11—0—29—3; *Rice*, 10—0—49—2; Jesty, 11—0—50—2.

Umpires: D. G. L. Evans and A. G. T. Whitehead.

Worcester v Indians

AT WORCESTER

Worcestershire beat the Indians by six wickets.

INDIANS

S. M. Gavaskar, c Cass, b Pridgeon .. 19
E. D. Solkar, c Senghera, b Roberts .. 12
P. Sharma, st Cass, b Senghera .. 17
G. Viswanath, b Roberts .. 2
B. P. Patel, c Johnson, b Senghera .. 58
S. Abid Ali, not out .. 52
K. Ghavri, c Hemsley, b Johnson .. 26
Madan Lal Sharma, not out .. 17
Extras (b 1, l-b 2, n-b 2) .. 5
Total (6 wkts, 55 overs) .. 194

M. Amarnath, *S. Venkataraghavan, †S. M. H. Kirmani did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—30, 2—34, 3—49, 4—69, 5—110, 6—162.

BOWLING: Coombes, 11—1—39—0; Inchmore, 8—1—16—0; Pridgeon, 8—1—34—1; Roberts, 11—1—35—2; Hemsley, 3—0—7—0; Senghera, 6—0—23—2; Johnson, 8—0—33—1.

WORCESTERSHIRE

*J. A. Ormrod, l-b-w, b Venkataraghavan .. 35
K. W. Wilkinson, b Ghavri .. 5
E. J. O. Hemsley, c Venkataraghavan, b Madan Lal .. 104
T. J. Yardley, not out .. 52
J. N. Johnson, c Venkataraghavan, b Madan Lal .. 1
†G. R. Cass, not out .. 0
Extras (b 1, l-b 9) .. 10
Total (4 wkts, 54.3 overs) .. 195

R. Senghera, J. D. Inchmore, J. Coombes, A. P. Pridgeon, C. P. Roberts did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—65, 3—190, 4—193.

BOWLING: Ghavri, 11—0—48—1; Madan Lal, 11—2—37—2; Amarnath, 11—3—40—0; Venkataraghavan, 11—2—27—1; Abid Ali, 7—0—28—0; Solkar, 3.3—0—15—0.

Umpires: J. E. Brown and A. Riley.

Kent v Pakistanis

AT CANTERBURY

The Pakistanis beat Kent by 5 wkts.

KENT

*B. W. Luckhurst, c Zaheer, b Sarfraz .. 0
G. W. Johnson, c Wasim Bari, b Sarfraz .. 52
M. C. Cowdrey, b Asif .. 13
A. G. E. Ealham, run out .. 16
†D. Nicholls, c Wasim Bari, b Masood .. 42
J. N. Shepherd, not out .. 38
C. J. C. Rowe, b Pervez Mier .. 7
R. W. Hills, not out .. 6
Extras (l-b 4, n-b 7) .. 11
Total (6 wkts, 60 overs) .. 185

J. M. H. Graham-Brown, R. B. Elms, K. Jarvis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—0, 2—48, 3—77, 4—89, 5—168, 6—183.

BOWLING: Sarfraz Nawaz, 12—1—26—2; Asif Masood, 8—3—8—1; Naseer Malik, 12—2—40—0; Asif Iqbal, 12—3—47—1; Wasim Raja, 8—2—36—0; Pervez Mier, 7—0—7—1.

PAKISTANIS

Sadiq Mohammad, c Nicholls, b Jarvis .. 48
Sarfraz Nawaz, c Nicholls, b Johnson .. 9
Zaheer Abbas, c Nicholls, b Jarvis .. 43
Wasim Raja, c Hills, b Graham-Brown .. 19
Mushtaq Mohammad, not out .. 35
*Asif Iqbal, c Nicholls, b Hills .. 27
Javed Miandad, not out .. 8
Extras (b 4, l-b 4, w 1, n-b 3) .. 12
Total (5 wkts, 56.2 overs) .. 198

Pervez Mier, †Wasim Bari, Naseer Malik, Asif Masood did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—23, 2—65, 3—110, 4—126, 5—182.

BOWLING: Elms, 10—1—24—0; Jarvis, 11.2—2—31—2; Johnson, 12—2—30—1; Hills, 10—0—48—1; Shepherd, 5—0—18—0; Graham-Brown, 8—0—35—1.

Umpires: R. Giles and W. Rous.

Sussex v New Zealanders

AT HOVE

New Zealanders beat Sussex by one wicket.

SUSSEX

G. A. Greenidge, b Cairns .. 68
J. R. T. Barclay, b Cairns .. 13
M. J. J. Faber, c Cairns, b McKechnie .. 39
*P. J. Graves, not out .. 62
A. E. W. Parsons, not out .. 16
Extras (l-b 14, n-b 1) .. 15
Total (3 wkts, 60 overs) .. 213

S. J. Headley, †A. W. Mansell, C. E. Waller, C. P. Phillipson, R. P. T. Marshall, A. N. C. Wadey did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—31, 2—86, 3—138.

BOWLING: Collinge, 12—1—38—0; Hadlee, 12—1—54—0; Cairns, 12—2—36—2; McKechnie, 12—3—17—1; H. Howarth, 12—3—55—0.

NEW ZEALANDERS

*G. M. Turner, c Greenidge, b Wadey .. 0
J. F. M. Morrison, run out .. 39
G. P. Howarth, b Phillipson .. 0
J. M. Parker, c Faber, b Waller .. 39
B. F. Hastings, c Faber, b Marshall .. 53
B. J. McKechnie, c Greenidge, b Waller .. 1
†K. J. Wadsworth, run out .. 15
R. J. Hadlee, not out .. 23
B. L. Cairns, l-b-w, b Phillipson .. 0
H. J. Howarth, b Phillipson .. 0
R. O. Collinge, not out .. 7
Extras (b 7, l-b 3, n-b 2) .. 12
Total (9 wkts, 59.1 overs) .. 214

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—28, 3—96, 4—115, 5—121, 6—166, 7—196, 8—199, 9—205.

BOWLING: Wadey, 12—2—49—1; Marshall, 11.1—1—36—1; Phillipson, 12—0—50—3; Barclay, 12—1—37—2; Waller, 12—1—29—2.

Umpires: J. G. Langridge and L. Martin.

Tennis

Kodes stretched to limit by young Pole

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Paris, June 4

Children were admitted free to the first day of the French tennis championships. They swarmed over the Stade Roland Garros in such numbers that it was difficult to avoid treading on them—and impossible to avoid being trodden on by them. Any player who emerged from the dressing rooms, the restaurant, or the courts was *immediately* surrounded by a shrieking throng of autograph-hunters. *Even the adult public* turned up in such force that this *might have been the last* day instead of the first. This year's *European tournaments*, indoors and outdoors in turn, have attracted unusually big crowds and the greatest festival of the clay court game is obviously going to be no exception to the pattern.

Inevitably, too, this was a day for greetings and the kind of handshakes that induce non-players to brace themselves for the strain. A polyglot horde of players, wives, and children streamed gregariously into the restaurant from all points *of the compass. Out on court* were players with names like Fibak, *Niedzwiedzki*, Borfiga, Pisecky, Kirmayr, and Mir. The entire cosmopolitan scene was bathed in bright heat, though in some eagerly sought corners the trees cast merciful shadows and lawns and flowers provided further repose for the *soul*.

This was, in short, an utterly *delightful first day*. *On court*, there was much straining endeavour of mind and muscle and more drama than is often evident at this early stage of the tournament. Jan Kodes, champion here in 1970 and 1971, was stretched to the limit by Wojciech Fibak, aged 22, a Polish Davis Cup player from *Poznan. The score was* 2—6, 6—3, 8—6. At 4—all in that third set, *Kodes was love—40 down and survived* a total of four break points.

In that game the young man seemed dazzled by the prospect of a famous victory. Not so Kodes. He has been through so many crises that he seems to feed on them. Yet one's abiding memory of this absorbing match will be a shot Fibak played when he was 1—3 and 15-down in the second *set. He chased a lob and, with* his back to the net, hit an *astonishing backhand winner, cross-court*, that made Kodes look even more emotionally unemotional than usual.

Britain had a disappointing day. Roger Taylor, who has made himself a remarkably good clay court player and is sensitive to the slightest suggestion that he is not, dealt firmly with a solid young Spaniard, Miguel Mir. But Gerald *Battrick and Graham Stilwell*, former Davis Cup players, both *lost matches they seemed likely to* win. Last evening the walrus-moustached Carlos Kirmayr, of Brazil, aged 24, had come back from 2—5 *down* in the third set to beat Omar Laimina in the qualifying competition. Today, at 4—5 down in the third set, he saved five match points—four with winners, one with a Battrick error. But an equally crucial shot was an easy smash that would have given Battrick a 5—3 lead. He muffed it.

Stilwell won the first set and, in the second, was twice a break up against Joaquin Loyo-Mayo, a left-handed Mexican who is all muscles and seems to bounce rather than run. When *Loyo-Mayo* lost his service to go 2—3 down in the second set, he *angrily* swung his racket and knocked over a bottle and a *plastic bucket* full of bottle tops. The clatter and the mess was *unpleasant*. But the gesture obviously did him good.

MEN'S SINGLES: *First round*: H. Kary (Austria) beat I. el Shafei (Egypt), 7—6, 6—3; E. Dibbs (US) beat L. Borfiga (Monaco), 6—3, 6—2; M. Estep (US) beat J.-C. Barclay (France), 7—5, 6—3; K. Johansson (Sweden) beat U. Pinner (W Germany), 4—6, 7—5, 6—4; L. Alvarez (Argentina) beat M. Lara (Mexico), 7—5, 6—3; O. Parun (NZ) beat J. Castanon (Spain), 6—2, 6—3; H. Rahim (Pakistan) beat H. Hose (Venezuela), 6—3, 6—2; A. Neely (US) beat R. Thung (Netherlands), 7—6, 6—4; J. Alexander (Australia) beat J.-B. Chanfreau (France), 6—1, 6—2; C. Barazzutti (It) beat R. Kreiss (US), 6—1, 6—3, 6—4; Wanaro N'Godrella (France) beat Piero Toci (Italy), 6—4, 6—3; J. *Fillol* (*Chile*) beat J. Niedzwiedzki (Poland), 6—2, 3—6, 6—1; A. Pattison (Rhodesia) beat H. Elschenbroich (W Germany), 7—5, 6—1; G. Vilas (Argentina) beat H. Plotz (W Germany), 6—0, 6—0; J. Muntanola (Spain) beat T. Svensson (Sweden), 6—3, 6—2; J. Yuill (SA) beat R. Fisher (US), 6—3, 6—4; C. Kirmayr (Brazil) beat G. Battrick (GB), 4—6, 6—3, 8—6; U. Marten (W Germany) beat P. Cornejo (Chile), 7—5, 7—6.

Z. *Franulovic* (*Yugoslavia*) beat D. Contet (France), 5—7, 6—2, 6—4; S. Baranyi (Hungary) beat E. Deblicker (France), 6—3, 6—4; A. Metreveli (USSR) beat O. Bengtsson (Sweden), 6—2, 6—4; J. Andrews (US) beat J. Higueras (Spain), 6—4, 6—4; T. Gorman (US) beat R. Rheinberger (Australia), 6—2, 6—1; J. Kamiwazumi (Japan) beat R. Mignot (Belgium), 7—6, 7—6; *P. Bertolucci* (Italy) beat J. Kuki (Japan), 6—3, 6—1; F. Jauffret (France) beat R. *Crealy* (*Australia*), 7—5, 6—3; B. Taroczy (Hungary) beat J. James (Australia), 7—5, 6—2; B. Borg (*Sweden*) beat N. Holmes (US), 6—0, 6—3; A. Volkov (USSR) beat T. Mandarino (Brazil), 3—6, 7—6, 6—3; R. Cano (Argentina) beat F. Gebert (W Germany), 6—2, 6—4; S. Krulevitz (US) beat C. Dowdeswell (Rhodesia), 6—3, 6—2; J. Velasco (Colombia) beat I. Pisecky (Czechoslovakia), 6—2, 7—6.

G. Goven (France) beat R. Benavides (Bolivia), 6—3, 6—2; C. Dibley (Australia) beat J. Pinto-Bravo (Chile), 6—3, 5—7, 6—3; B. Prajoux (Chile) beat T. Kakulia (USSR), 5—7, 6—2, 6—1; P. Kronk (Australia) beat P. Beust (France), 6—1, 6—1; R. Taylor (GB) beat M. Mir (Spain), 6—7, 6—3; J. Kodes (Czechoslovakia) beat W. Fibak (Poland), 2—6, 6—3, 8—6; J. *Loyo-Mayo* (*Mexico*) *beat G. Stilwell* (GB), 3—6, 6—3, 6—2; J. F. Caujolle (France) beat I. Pala (*Czechoslovakia*), 2—6, 7—6, 6—3; P. Barthes (France) beat I. Santeiu (Romania), 6—4, 6—3; P. Szoke (*Hungary*) beat R. Dowdeswell (Rhodesia), 6—3, 6—4; D. Crawford (US) beat M. Holecek (Czechoslovakia), 6—4, 5—7, 6—1; H. Solomon (US) beat I. Molina (Colombia), 6—1, 6—4; A. Panatta (Italy) beat R. Gehring (W Germany), 7—5, 6—4; T. Waltke (US) beat A. Fornas (W Germany), 5—7, 6—2, 6—3; J. Hrebec (Czechoslovakia) beat H. Drill (US), 6—3, 7—5; N. Spear (Yugoslavia) beat T. Koch (Brazil), 7—6, 5—7, 7—5.

Connors arrives and gets straight down to business

After a day of near panic when would arrive, Jimmy Connors, the *Wimbledon champion, finally* got to Chichester yesterday evening for *the tennis tournament sponsored* by Rothmans. He had been delayed by the air-strike, and a car had waited all day to rush him from Heathrow.

His first words on arrival were: "I can't wait to get on grass. I want to play tonight."

He then went out to knock up on a back court, before starting to catch up to schedule. He was three matches behind the rest of the field, which had already been reduced to the quarter-final stage.

After a 20-minute knock-up *Connors went on court and in 38* minutes overcame his first hurdle *beating Nick Boyne, of New* Zealand, 6—1, 6—1.

Boyne had waited since Monday for the match.

Before going on to court, Connors gave a short press conference to explain why he had come to Chichester instead of challenging for the £10,000 prize in the Paris championships. "I don't need the money", he said. "I play for myself and my personal ambitions. I want to win Wimbledon again *this year and to do so I need extra* time on grass."

Several players were *upset* at the way the tournament had been *held back* for Connors, but Buster Mottram, who could meet the American in the final, did not share their views. He regarded Connors as too big an attraction to leave out.

Earlier in the day the number one seed in the women's competition, Karen Krantzcke, ..., by Greer Stevens, the 18-year-old South African.

MEN'S SINGLES: Second round: J. Connors (US) beat N. Boyne (NZ), 6—1, 6—1.

Third round: S. Fine (Rhodesia) beat H. Benham (US), 7—6, 6—1; J. Barlett (Australia) beat H. Brittain (Australia), 6—3, 6—2; B. Bertram (SA) beat F. van der Merwe (SA), 6—1, 7—6; S. Meer (Pakistan) beat G. Kachel (Australia), 7—6, 6—3; R. Mitton (SA) beat M. Cornish, 6—2, 6—1; E. Ewert (*Australia*) beat G. Silberman (SA), 6—4, 6—2; R. Ray (US) beat D. Segal (SA), 7—6, 7—5; S. Ball (*Australia*) beat J. *Cooper* 6—1, 6—3; R. Meyer (US) beat A. Rutz (Australia), 6—1, 3—6, 10—8; J. *Holladay (SA) beat J. Smith*, 6—4, 6—3; W. Cowley (*Australia*) beat S. Warboys 6—4, 6—7, 6—4.

Fourth round: Bartlett beat Fine 6—3, 6—2; M. Edmondson (Australia) beat P. McNamara (Australia), 6—2, 6—3; *C. Mottram beat Meyer* 6—3, 6—1; Meer beat Bertram 6—2, 6—3; Mitton beat Cowley 6—3, 6—3; E. Ewert (*Australia*) beat Ray 7—5, 6—1; Ball beat Holladay 6—2, 6—2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Second round: Miss K. Krantzcke (Australia) beat Miss K. Ruddell (Australia), 7—5, 7—5; Miss C. O'Neill (Australia) beat Miss S. Greaves, 6—3, 6—2; Miss G. Stirton (Australia) beat Miss H. Leibenberg (SA), 6—3, 2—6, 6—3; Mrs J. Dalton (Australia) beat Miss D. Evers, 6—3, 6—3; Miss Y. Vermaak (SA) beat Miss M. Robinson (Australia), 6—3, 6—4; Miss S. Eastman (US) beat Miss V. Bruin (Australia), 6—0, 6—1; Miss P. Hogan (US) beat Miss N. Gregory (Australia), 6—1, 6—3; Miss R. Whitehouse (SA) beat Miss C. Molesworth, 6—1, 7—5; Miss L. Mottram beat Miss D. Riste, 6—3, 6—4; *Mrs E. Vorman* (SA) beat Miss V. Burton, 7—6, 6—3; Miss M. Tyler beat Miss C. Cerain (Australia), 6—2, 6—3; Miss B. Thompson beat Miss L. Raymond (Australia), 6—4, 6—1; Miss T. Holladay (US) beat Miss P. Hobbs (US), 7—5, 6—3.

Third round: Miss G. Stevens (SA) beat Miss Krantzcke, 6—7, 6—3, 6—4; Miss L. Beaven beat Miss L. Blachford, 6—1, 6—0; Miss O'Neill beat Miss Stirton, 7—6, 6—1; Miss Hogan beat Miss Eastman, 6—2, 6—1; Miss Mottram beat Miss Whitehouse, 6—2, 6—2; Miss Tyler beat Mrs Vorman, 6—0, 6—4; Mrs Dalton beat Miss Vermaak 6—3, 6—2; Miss Holladay beat Miss Thompson 6—3, 6—2.

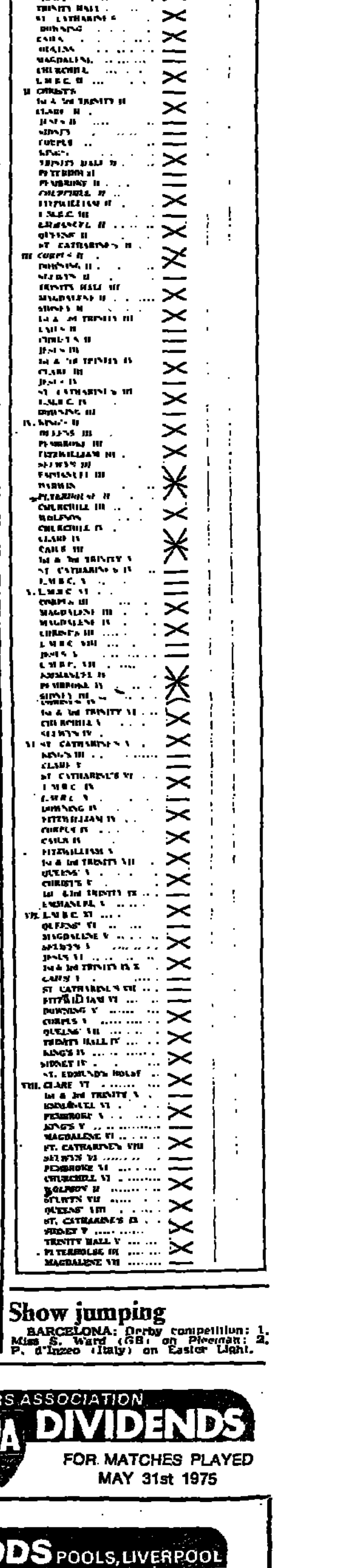
Rowing

Fitzwilliam do well to start their challenge

By Jim Railton

Lady Margaret Boat Club, the head crew with four internationals in the stern of their boat, confidently rowed over yesterday on the opening day of the Cambridge May races. With the main interest seemingly on the contest for *second and third positions this* week, Fitzwilliam, with three of *the successful inaugural Cambridge* lightweight eight on board, caught the Jesus crew to climb up one place from fourth position.

Today *Fitzwilliam are expected* to gain further territory at the expense of Pembroke First and third Trinity, who rowed over yesterday, should confidently demote the Jesus eight yet another place to move into fourth position. Other notable gains in the first division were those of St Catharine's and the Lady Margaret second eight at the foot of division one. *Both are expected* to make considerable gains this week.



Show jumping

BARCELONA: Derby competition: 1, Miss S. Ward (GB), on Pleeman; 2, P. d'Inzeo (Italy) on Easter Light.

Football

Derby begin title defence with two away games

Derby County face a tough start to their championship defence. They travel to Sheffield United on the opening day of next season (August 16) and then play at Coventry three days later. Last season's corresponding games both finished 1—1. After that Derby are at home to Queen's Park Rangers and Newcastle.

Manchester United have a testing return to the first division, with two trips to the Midlands. A match at Molineux, against Wolverhampton Wanderers, is followed by a visit to Birmingham on August 19.

League Cup holders Aston Villa are assured of a capacity crowd for their opening match. Leeds being the opponents in Villa Park's first Division One game for eight years. By coincidence, Norwich, who complete the trio of newly *promoted clubs, also face Leeds* in their first home game.

Apart from Derby, Manchester United and Leeds, three other *clubs start with two away games*. They are Arsenal, Middlesbrough and West Ham.

Fixture list for the opening day of the season is:

FIRST DIVISION: Aston Villa v Leeds; Burnley v Arsenal; Everton v Coventry; Ipswich v Newcastle; Leicester v Birmingham; Manchester City v Norwich; Queen's Park Rangers v Liverpool; Sheffield United v Derby; Stoke v West Ham; Tottenham v Middlesbrough; Wolverhampton Wanderers v Manchester United.

SECOND DIVISION: Bristol City v Bolton; Carlisle v *Oxford*; *Charlton* v Notts County; Fulham v Blackpool; Luton v Hull; Nottingham Forest v *Plymouth*; Oldham v *Bristol Rovers*; *Orient* v Blackburn; Southampton v West Bromwich Albion; Sunderland v Chelsea; York v Portsmouth.

THIRD DIVISION: Brighton v Rotherham; Bury v Gillingham; Crystal Palace v Chester; Grimsby v Cardiff; Halifax v Millwall; Hereford v Port Vale; Mansfield v Shrewsbury; Peterborough v Walsall; Preston v Colchester; Southend v Sheffield Wednesday; Swindon v Chesterfield; Wrexham v Aldershot.

FOURTH DIVISION: Barnsley v Watford; Bradford City v Brentford; Darlington v Scunthorpe; Doncaster v Cambridge; Exeter v Southport; Hartlepool v Bournemouth; Huddersfield v Northampton; Newport v Lincoln; Reading v Rochdale; Stockport v Crewe; Swansea v Tranmere; Torquay v Workington.

For the Record

Croquet

EASTBOURNE: Compton tournament: Open singles: Draw: First round: R. A. Simpson beat C. G. Poontney, + 5; W. E. Gladstone beat E. C. Tyrwhitt-Drake + 3. Handicap singles (6) bisques and over): Second round: W. Nicholson (11) beat Mrs I. B. Tucker (10) + 4; H. A. Pym (6) beat H. L. B. Wagnall (10) + 10; Mrs J. P. R. Pymm (7) beat Mrs D. G. Walters + 13; B. N. D. Meyer (11) beat P. H. Mann (7) + 5. Open handicap singles: Second round: Mrs J. P. R. Pym (7) beat Mrs E. L. Tennie (11) + 8; Miss M. D. Parker (5½) beat W. Nicholson (11) + 5; R. E. Wallis (8) beat M. F. Butler (4) + 7. Third round: B. J. Devitt (7) beat R. F. T. Brown (11) + 5; J. Tucker (1) beat Mrs H. F. Chittenden (2½) + 25; Mrs Pymm beat R. L. Everest (13) + 20; Mrs G. M. Mann (1) beat J. Haigh (2½) + 14. Handicap doubles: Second round: R. Wood and S. R. C. Malin (9) beat Mrs W. Longman and Miss H. D. Parker (6½) + 12; C. G. Poontney and Mrs I. B. Tucker (10½) beat W. E. Gladstone and W. Nicholson (10) + 11; J. Haigh and Mrs H. F. Chittenden (8) beat P. Mann and Mrs G. Mann (17) + 1 on time; C. E. Knight and L. Rushworth (17) + beat E. J. Tucker and Mrs R. A. Simpson (5) + 1 on time.

PARKSTONE: Handicap doubles: First round: R. O. B. Whittington and Mrs L. L. Duveen (11) beat Mrs N. A. C. McMillan and J. H. Greswell (7) + 2; D. de O. and Mrs D. de O. Lenfestey (19) beat R. H. C. Carder and J. H. T. Griffiths (14) + 10.

Football

OLYMPIC TOURNAMENT: Romania 4, Denmark 0 (in Bucharest).

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP: Greece 2, Malta 0 (in Salonika); Sweden 1, Yugoslavia 2 (in Stockholm).

TOUR MATCH: Canterbury XI 2, Rangers 2 (in Christchurch).

Cycling

BASELGA DI PINE: Giro d'Italia, stage 18 (158 miles): 1, R. de Vlaeminck (Belgium), 6hr 8min 50sec; 2, F. Gimondi (Italy), same time; 3, G. Santambrogio (Italy), same time. Overall: F. Bertoglio (Italy).

Yachting

LLAFRANCH (Spain): European Finn championship: third race: 1, Balashov (USSR); 2, Binkhorst (Netherlands); 3, Howlett (Britain). Overall: Balashov, 20pts.

Athletics

The right kind of opposition for British

By Neil Allen
Athletics Correspondent

Britain's promising young high and triple jumpers are *to have* just the right kind of international opposition in the Borough Road College v AAA match (sponsored by *Philips Electrical Ltd*) at Crystal Palace on June 11.

Angus McKenzie and *Michael* Butterfield, who both raised the United Kingdom national *high* jump record to 7ft 1in last Saturday, will compete *against* Mel Embree, an American over here with the Harvard-Yale *touring* team, who has cleared 7ft 2¼in.

Aston Moore, who set a British junior triple jump record of 53ft 2¼in last weekend, and the promising David Johnson could *be* fully tested by the presence of *Michael* McGrath, who *has* reached 54ft 1in this year, and the *Australian junior champion* Donald Commons, who has cleared 52ft 9in. *The British record* is still 54ft by Fred Alsop in 1964.

Alan Pascoe, the meeting director for next Wednesday's evening fixture, emphasizes that these *two* events, and the pitting of the Australian pole vaulter, Ray Boyd, who has cleared 16ft 5in and was *fourth in the Commonwealth* Games, against Britain's Allan *Williams, are part of a deliberate* policy to stimulate Britain's best *young field events* athletes. Our leading sprinters have not been *overlooked*, either, for they will *be up against the American, Steve* Riddick, who has best times of 10.2sec (100 metres) and *20.4sec* (200 metres), and West Germany's Karl Weisenseel, who has run 100 metres in 10.2sec this season.

Two outstanding Australian women runners will also be competing. They are Charlene Rendina, the Commonwealth Games 800 metres champion, who will be racing against Britain's Joan Allison, and Denise Robertson, second in the Games 200 metres, who will be sprinting against the Polish European champion, Irena Szewinska, and Britain's Andrea Lynch. The meeting will open at 6 pm with the pole vault and the first track event is at 6.45.

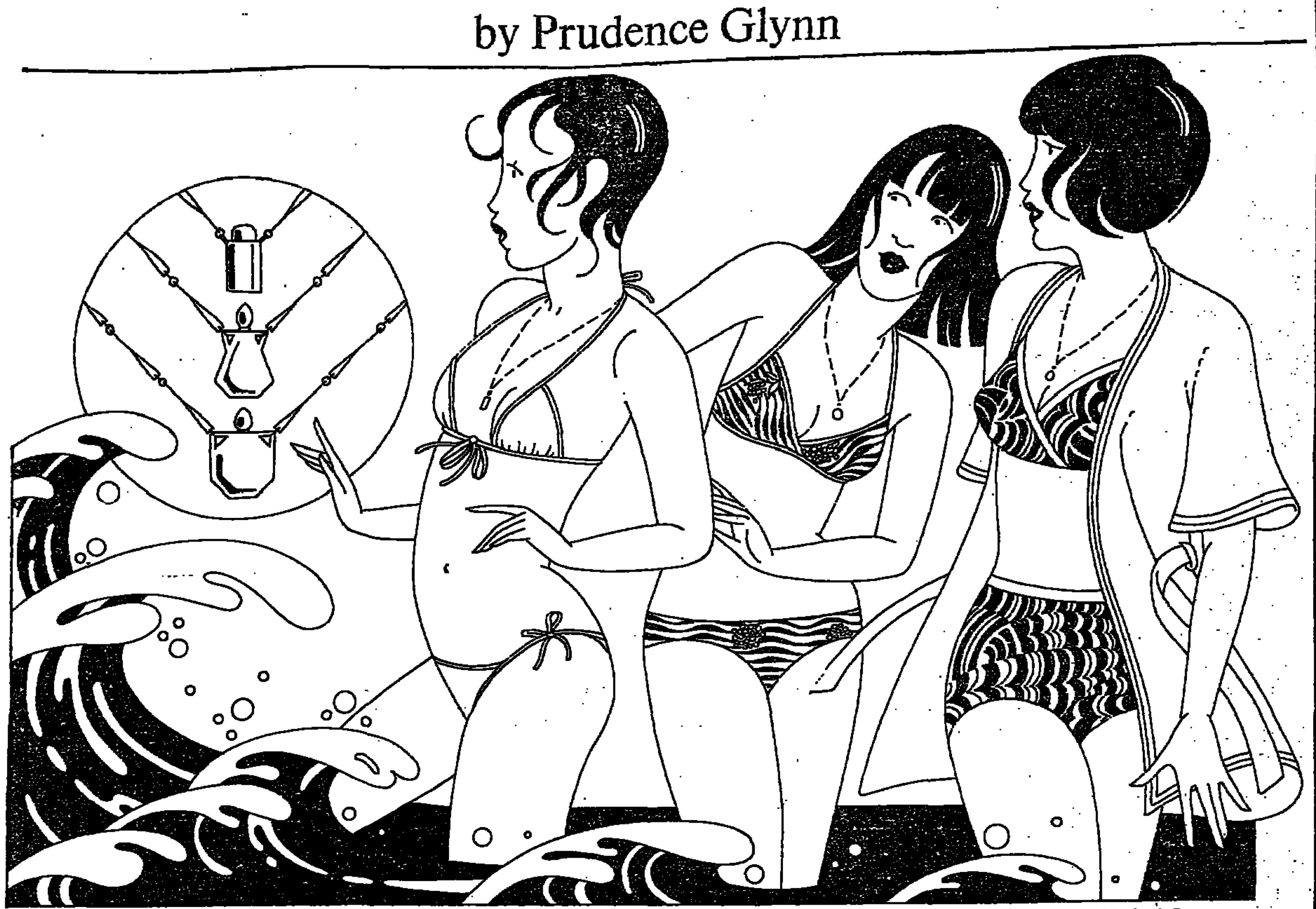
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Shopping

by Prudence Glynn



Left to right
● Nylon jersey tanga (or string) called " Kreta " by Triumph. Sizes 30in-36in. Colours pink, red, mauve, orange, turquoise, navy and black. Price £1.95. Available from Cara Shops, Portobello Road, W11; Kendal Milne, Manchester; Walsh's, Sheffield; Fenwicks, Newcastle.

● Green and white cotton bikini, patterned with bunches of grapes, from Top Shops new range of good value swimwear. Style 4120. Sizes 10-14. One colour only, at £2.50. From Top Shop, Oxford Circus, London, W1, with mail order 20p p&p, and selected branches.

● Nylon two-piece swimsuit from Silhouette. With deep pants and bra top in a two colour chevron print. Style S/772. Sizes 36in-44in C and D cup. Colours black/white, blue/white, and green/white. Price 36in-38in £9.95, 40in-42in £10.45, 44in £10.90. Available from Harrods, SW1; John Lewis, W1; Beales of Bournemouth or contact the Records Dept of Silhouette, 84-86 Baker Street, W1. Tel: 01-486 2681. The swimsuit is teamed with a short towelling beach robe from a range at Marks & Spencer. Sizes 32in-38in. Colours white, green, brown, royal blue, and gold, at £5.50. Available from all their major branches.

● Three unusual pendants from Corocraft's autumn collection. Gilt and silver coloured perfume bottles on a fine chain. Very carefully you can fill with a little of your favourite perfume, and wear it, as we have shown with a bikini. Available from August at Peter Robinson, London, W1; Selfridges and other department stores. Price £1.95.
All sketches by Lynn Gray.

My theory on retailing is that when the economic going gets harder the spending pattern will diverge ever more sharply. One direction will be towards self-service shopping, where a customer will pick well-identified clothing from a big selection, try it on, and pay for it with the minimum sales assistance. The other direction will be towards super-service. The same customer will shop in both types of shop, depending on her needs of that moment, but what she is going to look for is a clear, consistent identity of merchandise.

In providing this, it is the *super service shops which have* had more problems recently, because it has become fashionable to pursue the talent of one or another designer regardless of the fact that that designer, being only human, is capable of good, or not so good collections, and also that he may well change his style quite radically, so, having become known for a particular designer, and having committed space to him, the store finds itself with frustrated customers when the new season's line is not in the image of the old. In other words, I see a return to buyer-power for those who want to survive in a tough climate.

There are already a number of shops in London and the provinces which are remarkable not only for their patronage of the best in design talent but for the fact that their own overall image irons out the fluctuations which are intrinsic in the fashion industry. These are mostly small shops in which the owner or manager has enough personal taste and flair to be aware not only of what is new and apposite for her customers, but also of an overall style of her own which can be maintained so that customers can buy with confidence that they clothes first, and the name of the designer second.

Robell in Baker Street, owned by Mrs Palmer and her mother, who started it with Sigmund Freud's daughter in the war is such a shop. It carried clothes by many well known names, but its strength lies in the fact that it has a special identity, not of age, or of size (Robell stock from 8s to 16 and some 18s) but of taste. Exclusivity is the keynote of Mrs Palmer's buying, and her greatest delight the discovery of a new talent.

Another shop in Baker Street with identity and taste is Fine Dress Fabrics at number 87. They buy, much to the advantage of their customers, from the ends of huge bulk purchases, always from the highest quality houses, but because they never stock much of one style they are content with small lengths which would not suit a bigger store. Just now, Fine Dress Fabrics have that nicest of all summer materials, cotton jersey, by the great Fischbacher in stock. In various prints, 54in. wide, at £4.50 per yard it represents excellent comparative value:



● Silky knit, silver dress striped with rust, grey and fawns, by *the Italian designer, Krizia.* Style 6960. Sizes 10-14. £28.00. Available from Robell, 44 Baker Street, London, W.1. Chain necklace with amber beads from Corocrafts Autumn Collection, £7.95.
Strappy sandals called " Gabro " from West End branches of Russell & Bromley, Price £17.99.

All photographs by Peter Akehurst.

Bikini bathing suits were named after that minute atoll where the atom bomb was tried out, and maybe it is a reflection of the way we feel about nuclear warfare that the one-piece seems to be regaining ground. For those, however, who are dedicated to exposing themselves to get the maximum tan they think their figures will allow, we show a selection of bikinis which are the briefest, known as the string—very good value—and for ladies with a tummy or with a consciousness of stretch marks, nice deep pants.

Two cosmetic houses who care if the bits that stick out of the bikini are the colour of an atomic glow and feel just as hot are Helena Rubinstein and Bergasol. Rubinstein, always imaginative and reliable, are greeting summer 1975 with a spectrum of sun lotions for various skin types—and an unguent to put on if you read none of the instructions and are therefore red and smarting. Bergasol is new to me, but it feels nice, and I have a sort of intrinsic belief that the French know about how to cope with hot weather without looking like a tortoise at the end. The High Protection Gel looks especially promising, and had it not been the coldest spring holiday since the Flood I would have been able to offer practical observations on it.

The absolute essential for any item of clothing, other than swimsuits, that you take on your travels is that it should have more than one use. In the jet *age there is no room for the* dressing gown that cannot leave the bedroom or the beach wrap which is not smart enough for lunch on the terrace. It also goes without saying that clothes for travel must be light, and either fold flat or be very crease resistant. The silver lamé dress by Yuki for Rembrandt can be worn as a dressing gown, as an evening dress, or as a beach cover-up—being silver it looks especially pretty by the sea. Wear it in the evening either on its own or over a skin tight jersey tube dress with a polo neck.

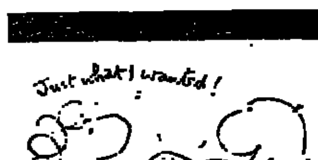
Marks and Spencer have a particularly good selection of multi-purpose holiday clothes. Obviously attractive are towelling tops and wraps, but the fine cotton jersey kimono wraps are elegant, space-saving and dual purpose. There are also some nighties which the brave might wear for evenings. Swimsuits prints this year are much more sophisticated.



● Silver lamé dress from Yuki's autumn collection for Rembrandt. One size and colour only, £46 approx. Available from September at, Patio, London, SW3; Wakefords, SW3; Vogue, Marble Arch, W1; Helene, SW1; Helen Parker, Birmingham, Peter Richard, Bournemouth; The Esson Group, Aberdeen; Berriman Brothers, Cornwall.

The fashion for embroidery moves on apace, everything from children's dungarees to the lapels of business suits (for women, let me hastily add) being considered an appropriate landing ground for a motif of some sort. For those who boggle at the work involved, or who are half-way through their John Bates caftan, I recommend a visit to Spangles, 23 Ganton Street (off Carnaby, behind Regent) or phone 01-437 5895. Spangles is the business of three young women from the London College of Fashion, which of course has an excellent embroidery department, who have set up to embroider and bead for anyone who cares to invite them to. The possibilities are endless. Why not ask them to embroider a panel for a dress *as a present, or as a memento* for somebody? Or have a favourite old dress enlivened with beautiful beading? Or have a length done to make a handbag or have made into slippers?

Meanwhile, a *cri de cœur* from some of the most imaginative embroiderers of all, the Pearlies. The wear and tear on the regalia has brought them to a situation similar to Tom Kitten coming up the rockery. They shed buttons right and left. There is no record however that Mrs Tabitha Twitchit was short on replacements. The Pearlies are. Pearl buttons are now almost unobtainable, so if you have any to spare please send them to either Mrs Marie-Louise Backley, Pearly Queen of Finsbury, 29, St Albans Avenue, Upminster, Essex, or to Edward Marriott, Pearly King of Lambeth, 61 Surr Street, London, N1.



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ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD
by Tom Stoppard.

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THE HOGARTH PUPPETS
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DAILEY AND WAYNE

CINEMAS

ABC 1 & 2, Shaftesbury Ave. 836 8861. Sep. Perfs. ALL SEATS BKBLE. 1: THE GODFATHER PART II (X). Wk. & Sun. 2.45, 8.00. 2: MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS (A). Wk. & Sun. 2.30, 5.30, 8.30.

ACADEMY ONE (437 2981). Satyajit Ray's DISTANT THUNDER (A). Progs. 2.30, 4.30, 6.30, 8.45.

ACADEMY TWO (437 5129). Maria Callas in Pasolini's MEDEA (AA). Progs. 1.30, 3.45, 6.0, 8.30.

ACADEMY THREE (437 8819). Marcel Carné's LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (A). Show times 4.45, 8.00.

CASINO. 437 6877. MONTY PYTHON AND THE HOLY GRAIL (A). Progs. at 1.45, 3.20, 5.40 and 8.5.

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CURZON, Curzon St., W1. 499 3737. ALICE DOESN'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE (AA). Progs at 1.55 (not Sun.), 4.0, 6.15, 8.30. Late show Sat. 11.0. Phone Bkgs.

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LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE (930 5252). See! Hear! Feel! TOMMY (AA). The film event of the year. Sep. Perfs. 1.30, 4.30, 8.0, Sun. 4.30, 8.00. Late Show Fri./Sat. 11.15. All seats bkble.

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ODEON HAYMARKET (930 2738/2771) Warren Beatty, Julie Christie, Goldie Hawn in SHAMPOO (X). Sep. perfs. Wk. and Sun. 1.15, 4.45, 8.15. Shampoo at 1.55, 5.30, 8.55. Late show Fri. & Sat. 11.45. All seats bookable.

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE. (930 6111). PAPER TIGER (A). Cont. Progs. Wk. 2.00, 5.25, 8.00, 8.15. Sun. 3.45, 6.00, 8.15. Late show Sat. 11.15.

ODEON MARBLE ARCH (723 2011/2) Streisand & Caan FUNNY LADY (A). Sep. Perfs. Wk. 2.45, 8.00. Sun. 4.00, 8.00. Late show Sat. 11.45. All seats bkble.

ODEON ST. MARTIN'S LANE (836 0691/1811). Claude Lelouch's AND NOW MY LOVE (Toute Une Vie) (X). Sep. perfs. Wk. 1.00, 4.30, 8.00. Sun. 4.30, 8.00. Late show Sat. 11.30. All seats bkble.

CINEMAS

PARIS PULLMAN, Sth Ken. 373 5898. Zanussi ILLUMINATION (A). " Immensely worth pursuing " S. Times. Progs. 4.30, 6.40, 8.45.

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SCENE 2, Leic. Sq. (Wardour St. 439 4470. Cont. Perfs. Dly. from 12.30. Lte Show 12.05 (inc. Sun. YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN (AA). Progs. 12.30, 2.45, 5.05, 7.25, 9.45, 12.05.

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DAVID JONES
Mon.-Fri. 10-5.30. 01-629 1578.

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are no doubt many ways
ducting a Bruckner sym-
; but most of the success-
ays have in common a
grasp of structure and a
ess to forgo momentary
ssive effect in favour of
lative power.

cardo Muti approaches
ner from an unusual
(to be precise, a south-
rly one). It is interesting
ar the Sixth Symphony
d, as it was by the New
rmonia on Tuesday under
Muti, with such richness of
re and so keen a sense of
e. Many things emerged in
w light: thematic lines
ved an unusual eloquence,
cularly the Adagio's yearn-
melodies, and contrasts of
and colour were sharp-

t a Bruckner symphony
t to be more than the sum
s parts. This one actually
ed to be rather less. In
finale, for example, the
ua misfired: fiercely driven
endos (and too many of
crescendos were acceleran-
as well) and a wide spread
mpos are bound to separate
the elements of a movement
h needs to be drawn
ther, and to diminish the
deur of its climaxes. In the
gio, the ideas themselves
e strongly characterized, but
tiny caesuras prefacing
ost every noble phrase lent
music a curiously meretri-
is flavour; and there was
e hint of Brucknerian
stery or austerity.

missed that, too, in the
ddle section of the Scherzo,
ose solemn little "Amens"
re too warmly spoken;
ough the main body of the
vement went with a properly
rceful and sturdy rhythm.
obably it was the first move-
nt that suffered most
iously from Mr Muti's
eatrical direction: beautiful
re, affecting there, stirring
newhere else, but essentially
series of events—never a
ntinuum of an unfolding
ole, and so never acquiring
mulative power.

The NPO, after some un-
tain ensemble at the start—
ce or twice Mr Muti seemed
catch them unawares, which
s not entirely surprising—
tled to some warm and solid
ying. The concerto was
opin's first, with Murray
rahia producing much bril-
nt, scintillating fingerwork,
ll of delicacy and poetry; but
wonder if he has a tendency
finish each phrase less in-
estingly and less attentively
n he starts it.

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e original version of Richard
rauss's Ariadne auf Naxos,
eceded by the abbreviated
olière Bourgeois gentil-
omme, might seem a god
oice for a school of music
nd drama, giving plenty of
ope for actors, dancer,
agers and small orchestra
his term the GSM has turned
preference to Strauss's
econd version, with the sung
rologue (here in Tom Ham-
mond's English translation). It
equires polished acting such as
s unlikely to abound in a con-
ervatory's opera class.

For the first few minutes
fter curtain-rise on Tuesday I
eared that the GSM had dared
oo much. The Major-domo,
Michael Hughes, was alone in
noving about the stage as if
e had thought himself into his
art—an almost donnish, bitter-
emon smiling characterization,
ery apt—but acting is his
rade. Then the Composer
ntered and it was clear why
his version had been chosen:
aura Sproit still has to work
ard at her singing, but she is
n able actress with a fine face,
yes like coals of fire, and pas-
ion in her voice.

After the interval, the
riadne opera was much more
ersuasively staged. The clowns
apered with agility and an
lement of sending-up behind
heir corybantics. Zerbinetta
Jacqueline Fugelle—as usual
he production is cast in dupli-
ate and will alternate until
the last night tomorrow)
dropped her primness, flirted
delightfully, and sang her
bravura music with ease and
enthusiasm, a remarkable
achievement. The gangling
Harlequin, David Todd, dis-
played a warm, vibrant bari-
tone.

Vilem Tausky's student
orchestra communicated sur-
prising mastery as well as
musicianship in this difficult,
exposed score (the harmonium
was more than usually audible,
attractively so, in this little
auditorium) and be conducted
a zestful performance after a
rhythmically humdrum prelude.
The most impressive voice on
stage seemed to be the golden
contralto of Josephine Bromage, a lovely sound, though
Jennifer Adams sang the
Naiad's florid runs impec-
cably. As Bacchus, Stuart
Kale returned to his *alma*
mater and gave a ringing,
musicianly performance, ebul-
liently acted, though I hope
he will not repeat it just yet
in a large theatre.

Gwendoline Ross sang
Ariadne with much vocal
ability and the semblance of a
fine, big soprano instrument.
"Ein schones war" was
eloquently done; but she does
not yet look well on stage, and
Dennis Maunder has to be
faulted, amid much that was
pleasing in his production, for
her stiffness and extravagant
gesture, and for similar quali-
ties in his direction of the
prologue. Gerald Kitching's
sets are evocative and prac-
tical; they deserve to be used
elsewhere.

A winning series of Così

John Higgins

One of the operatic glories of the past few years has been the *Così fan tutte* series conducted by Karl Böhm at the smaller Salzburg Festspielhaus. Vienna has gone along with the rule that there is no point in changing a winning combination more than is necessary. Böhm is there for the Staatsoper's production of *Così* to coincide with this year's festival and by his side are half the Salzburg team: Gundula Janowitz, Brigitte Fassbänder and Peter Schreier. But Vienna has shown a measure of independence by going to Otto Schenk and Jurgen Rose, who have a habit of coming up with a winner at festival time each year, to do the staging.

The result is an evening of total enchantment. Schenk's *Così* has the simplicity which *is only bred by extreme sophistication.* There are no gimmicks, no Welsh brothels to start the action, no dressing up the officers as Chinese. Only in the *second act does Schenk allow* himself any divergence from the norm. The curtain rises on the sisters' room where the twin canopied beds, soft and white as a cream cake, are linked together; the implication is that Dorabella and Fiordiligi are more attached to each other than to any officers who might happen to pass their way. "Prenderò quel brunettino . . .", but probably they will return to each other. And that leaves the finale even more open than usual.

The scene changes to the garden and stays there until the opera closes. The answer of both Schenk and Böhm to the only major weakness of *Così fan tutte,* the fact that *nothing* but the inevitable happens after the *first act, is* to remove anything that might hold matters up. There are none of those ugly curtain drops where the singers have to compete with the noise of the stage hands for attention. The sextet play to one another against a background of gently descending steps, flowered terraces with plants tumbling in profusion over the walls and a few cypresses suggesting the heat of Naples in the distance.

Jurgen Rose has deftly contrasted the almost heavy *atmosphere within the house of* the *due Ferraresi* with the expansiveness of the outdoors, where life breathes more easily under the calm sky. In its way *this Così is as fresh, as elegant* and indeed as pretty as the *L'elisir d'amore* he designed with Schenk for the Theater an der Wien a couple of years ago. *Unlike L'elisir it* is built to last—and the Viennese should be only too happy to live with it—and to absorb cast changes. Already by the third performance there were two alterations from the premiere. Bernd Weikl, the original Guglielmo, was on duty at Covent Garden and his place was taken by Hans Helm, who is another admirable young baritone. He is tall and assured, quite big enough to *stand up to* Eberhard Wächter's Alfonso; the voice has a rich nut-brown quality, although on this particular evening it *did* not show through fully in the ensemble. Those in search of a new Don Giovanni (and who is not?) would do well to look at Mr Helm.

Pilar Lorengar may not have the brilliance of Margaret Price or the vocal purity of Gundula Janowitz, for whom she was deputizing at Vienna, but her Fiordiligi is warm and generous. Böhm took "Per pieta" very slowly, giving each phrase its full weight, but Mme Lorengar was well up to the test. Peter Schreier's Ferrando is surely now the best in the business. He has relaxed since *his first Salzburg performances* and now allows the music to well out in full golden tone. "Un aura amorosa", sung very simply with Ferrando sitting down by the *footlights—the* only concert aria in this production—had the older Viennese happily recalling the great days of Dermota. Ferrando is the true romantic in *Così,* and in "Volgi a me" Schreier allowed the first touch of sentimentality to creep into the evening. And here, surely, it is permissible.

Brigitte Fassbänder repeated her handsome and witty Dorabella of Salzburg, glittering with the *music.* Eberhard Wächter and Renate Holm (Despina) stood to one side, experienced conspirators simply giving the adolescent antics of the "lovers" a forward push from time to time. They knew that they were on to a winner, as indeed did Karl Böhm, unhurried, relishing every witticism in the score, allowing each phrase its full breathing span. A superb piece of conducting.

Two nights at the Volksoper provided a chance of sampling productions of very different vintages. Zeller's *Vogelhändler* is new this season, set in a stage of bright burnished timber which would do as well for a smart version of the Garter Inn as for the Rhineland of Zeller's operetta. The version used is very close to the one described on this page from Mörbisch last summer—closer than it is to the synopsis in the Volksoper programme—and now as then Walter Gold-Schmidt is in charge of the *orchestra,* coaxing zest and sentiment by turn from the score. Alois Aichhorn, Mörbisch's Stanislaus, has been upgraded to Adam, the Bird-catcher; he gives an attractive, clear-voiced performance, although he lacks the arrogance for the *Aufrittslied.* There were very neat and sharp characterizations from Helga Papouschek (Adelaide) and Hans Kraemmer (Baron Weps), which suggested that the Volksoper has no lack of singing comedians. I have my doubts about dressing up the nobility, real or imagined, in Mackart-style costume for the second-act ball. But Mackart is very *à la mode* in Vienna at the moment with an exhibition devoted to him in the Hermesvilla.

Both Papouschek and Kraemmer were on parade, and on form, again a few evenings later in *Der Bettelstudent.* The production of Millöcker's operetta apparently dates back to 1949, when Maria Cebotari made her last appearance on stage as Laura just before her death. But the Volksoper's Cracow, complete with the spiked towers of the Barbican which first greet anyone arriving from Warsaw, looks as though it had only been painted yesterday. Symon, the student of the title who is made a Count for pretending to be a prince, found the usually reliable Horst Hoffman in indifferent voice. Ira Malaniuk and Wilma Lipp, who were both heard in London over 20 years ago, put on the style as the Countess Nowalska and her daughter Laura. Malaniuk's last Covent Garden appearance was, I believe, as Adelaide in *Arabella* and there are remarkable similarities between the impoverished artistocrats of Strauss and Millöcker, both of whom are looking to their daughters to marry well enough to put the family fortunes on a slightly less rocky footing. Vienna is a good place for preserving voice and looks. All in all, a very jolly evening with the singers constantly spinning round on the Volksoper's revolve.



Pilar Lorengar and Brigitte Fassbander

Broadway babies on parade

A Chorus Line
Newman, New York

Clive Barnes

The conservative word for *A Chorus Line* might be "tremendous", or perhaps "terrific".

Michael Bennett's *new-style* musical opened at the Newman Theatre of the New York Shakespeare Festival) public theatre on Lafayette Street to a reception so shattering that it is surprising if, by the time you read this, the New York Shakespeare Festival has got a Newman Theatre still standing in its public theatre complex on Lafayette Street. It was that kind of reception, and it *is that kind of a show.*

We have for years been hearing about innovative musicals, now Bennett has really innovated one. *A Chorus Line* takes *a close, hard squint at* Broadway babies on parade—here and now. The scene is a broadway gypsy encampment—and the chorus, and how to get into it, is the line of battle.

It is easy to see from where *A Chorus Line* evolved. It is in direct succession to Harold Prince's *Company,* and to a lesser extent, *Cabaret* and *Follies.* The debt is unmistakable, but it has been paid in full. What makes *A Chorus Line so* devastatingly effective is its honesty of subject matter—so that even its *faults* can work for it.

Show business musicals always start with a certain advantage. Even their clichés *can pass for justifiable observation* of the form, and Bennett was obviously aware of this when he had his idea.

But the idea is bright—in*deed, it glows like a beacon* heavenward. Like most great ideas it is simple. It is nothing but the anatomy of a chorus line.

And *the gypsies themselves*—those dear, tough, soft-bitten Broadway show dancers, who are the *salt* and the earth of the small white way—are all neatly dissected as if they were a row of chickens. Their job-hunger, their sex lives, their failures, their feeling toward dancing, why they started and what they might do when they stop—all is under a coruscatingly cruel microscope.

Of course the show—which has been brilliantly written by James Kirkwood and Nicholas Dante—has a long streak of sentimentality where its heart might have been, but this is the way business *is* true to form. We accept it—and rightly so—as part of the scene. For *Bennett* has found a marvellous set-up for his exploration into the life and times of the *contemporary* show dancer. It is an audition.

The director of a new show has whittled down his choice of 23 people to 17. The 17 are lined up before him. He needs eight, or what he calls four and four. Four boys and four girls—and how about *us women? as one of the girls* says.

One by one—as he calls them *out—he* has them step from the line and talk, talk about themselves—what *are they* doing there in that rehearsal hall on that morning.

It is psychological striptease, and slowly the kids undress in a series of sad if funny vignettes. *There is* the girl who wanted to be a ballerina, the boy who discovered *he was* gay, the girl who flunked Stanislavsky motivation at the High School of Performing Arts, and the somewhat elderly Puerto Rican boy *who never* had his father call him "son" until he found him working in a drag show.

Even the director has a story to tell. His girl, fearful of *he* saccarine smell of his success, walked out on him, and now, *after failure and heartbreak in* Los Angeles, she is back in the audition, trying to win a way back on to the chorus line. Yet somehow all the *hokum works*—because it is undisguised and unapologetic.

The music by Marvin Hamlisch is occasionally hummable, and often quite cleverly drops into a useful buzz of dramatic recitative. Hamlisch is not such a *good composer as he was on* the movie *The Sting* when he was being helped out by Scott Joplin, but he can pass. The lyrics by Edward Kleban do more than that, they pass with a certain distinction, while the look of the show (an explosion of mirrors which may owe something to the *Cabaret* set but is still food for reflection) and the cast are 105 per cent marvellous.

One simply must mention a few—Donna *McKechnie* as the prodigal chorine, for example, is wonderfully right, as are Clive Clerk as the reluctant drag artist, Priscilla Lopez as the histrionic drop-out, Carole Bishop as the fast-talking brunette who was not even born *the day before yesterday,* and Robert Lupone as the uptight director, who, like all the others, could be a portrait, or a composite portrait, of so many failed successes.

For honesty is the policy of Bennett's show, and from opening to the stupendous closing chorus it is stamped indelibly as *Bennett's show.*

His choreography and direction burn up superlatives as if *they were inflammable. In no* way could it have been better done. It is in a small theatre and here, at last, is the intimate big musical. Everything is *made to work.* The groupings are always faultless, the dances have the right Broadway surge, and two numbers, the mirror the Busby Berkeley-inspired finale, deserve to become classics of musical staging.

And talking of classics, while there will be some to find fault, perhaps with a certain reason, with the hard-edged glossiness of *A Chorus Line,* it is a show that must dance, jog and whirl its way *into the history of the* musical theatre. *Oklahoma!* it isn't, but no one with strength to get to the box-office should willingly miss it. You will talk *about it for weeks.*—New York Times News Service.

Loot
Royal Court

Irving Wardle

Clad in a little black number from the wardrobe of her latest victim, the deadly Fay confesses with simple dignity to the murder of her seven husbands. Her style goes down well with Inspector Truscott. "It's a theme", he says, "which less skilfully handled could have given offence".

This is one of Joe Orton's most revealing lines. Ten years ago when *Loot* first appeared, Orton was giving plenty of offence; since then his work, and this play in particular, has been taken into the standard modern repertory, and one hears no more complaints about bad taste and brutality. Everything that Lamb said about the Restoration playwrights *now applies to* Orton: how can you be offended by such amusing creatures, all safely walled off in a fairy-tale?

This is certainly the line adopted by Albert Finney in his contribution to the Court's Orton season. Whereas the text specifies physical violence or gruesome spectacle, the production anaesthetizes it. Truscott's rabbit punches are obviously harmless. Mrs McLeavy's corpse, upended into the wardrobe, is clearly a dummy. Where the casket of viscera is supposed to be wiped dry, all we get here *is the barest flick of a hand*kerchief.

Whatever the stage directions *prescribe, this is the right pro*cedure. There were two Ortons: one a superb stylist who converted states of moral anarchy into patterns of rigorously disciplined high comedy; and the other a practitioner of juvenile shock tactics. Finney's approach may make for a cosier evening than one associates with this author, but at least it gets the hooligan out of the way and lets you attend to the artist.

If one tries in a lumberingly prosaic way to analyse the *elements of Loot,* it seems that Orton set himself an impossible task. Here on one side are a collection of villains stashing a stolen fortune away in a coffin; and on the other a villainous policeman who divides the spoils with them at the end. Where is the balance of sympathies supposed to lie? And how is it possible for Truscott of the Yard to figure simultaneously as an all-powerful threat to the country's domestic peace, and as so impenetrably stupid that he misses every clue left under his nose? The ability to reconcile these and other apparent contradictions is one measure of this cold-blooded masterpiece; it is at once a glorious parody of the detective thriller, a goldmine of comic dissociations of language, and a piece that comes to mind whenever [illegible] wrong side of the law.

Philip Stone, recently seen as the righteous protagonist of Priestley's *An Inspector Calls,* now presents a counterpart as Truscott. His affably paternal smile, mild expressions of mock-surprise, and his commonsense announcements of terrors to come, amount to a brilliantly recognizable portrait of British petty authority. The production wisely gives almost equivalent weight to the bereaved Mc-Leavy, the only non-villain in the cast, whom Arthur O'Sullivan plays as a boomingly confident householder whose *enlightening downfall comes,* as it should, as the main climax.

Of the others, Jill Bennett dispatches the reptilian Fay with a graceful blend of seductive gentility and the glamour of a Lustgarten black widow. David Troughton and James Aubrey pull off the required trick of showing the two bent boys as the *normal innocents* of the Orton world. Douglas Heap's matchwood set is apt but cramping.



Photograph by Donald Cooper

David Troughton, Arthur O'Sullivan, Jill Bennett and James Aubrey

The Way of the World
Yvonne Arnaud, Guildford

Jeremy Kingston

In the festival that opened in the theatre in 1965 Laurier Lister directed *Lionel and Clarissa,* an amiable eighteenth-century comedy, as I remember, but undeniably a minor piece. The theatre is now celebrating its tenth birthday, and for its anniversary production, and his *last at Guildford,* Mr Lister has chosen the most brilliant comedy in the language.

The cast-list is impressive, the settings by Pamela Ingram exceptionally lavish—a park-scene high with growing green-ery—and give the eye much to relish when the plots become too complex for the ear. It is a production played straight along the text, unconcerned with the broader social milieu. But without a vigorously unifying style the emphasis in a comedy of manners falls upon individual performance.

Julian Glover and Honor Blackman are also so evidently determined from the start to marry that their combat is far from severe. Miss Blackman has a sort of self-conscious smile that serves to keep her further at a distance from the action. In various degrees this is the prevailing note: acting and scenes conceived in isolation. So there are skilful, amusing sketches: Jessie Evans' Wishfort considering whether to lie or loll on her couch, an ungovernably pert Foible by Trudi van Doorn.

Georgine Anderson comes closest to being of the play as well as of the character, helped by the fact that the part of Mrs Fainall is the least showy.

But on a tenth birthday the proper object for celebration is the theatre itself. Elegant to look at, rising on its all-but-island beside the Wey, it is inviting from a distance and welcoming as you enter. While unlikely ever to start a theatrical revolution, its list of productions show a *dozen or more* commendable firsts. The popularity of the theatre is a truer mark of Mr Lister's achievement than the strength of any one particular production.

Quick on the Draw
Thames

Stanley Reynolds

Puns, of course, are the wettest form of humour yet *designed,* but there is something so marvellously grotesque about really wet puns that they hold you spellbound and mesmerised. *What else explains the appeal* of Miss Gilly Cooper's writing? But Miss Cooper will have to watch out. Thames Television's teatime show, *Quick on the Draw, returned for a new* season at 3.55 on Tuesday with new and diabolical punning. Hosted by Rolf Harris, the show features three cartoonists, Mr Willie Rushton, Mr Humphrey Lyttelton, and Mr Peter Maddocks, and is composed of 30 minutes of rough cartooning and raw punning. I should not like to be thought of as responsible for anyone watching *Quick on the Draw but one's* descriptive powers quiver and die when called upon to describe the drawings of Messrs Harris, Rushton, Lyttelton and Maddocks, and the excruciating puns

A few examples will have to do. Called upon to draw a picture which illustrated the title of a song—this feature was called "Title Fight"—the irrepressible Rolf penned a picture of a lady with warts all over her face. The quickwitted Rushton immediately identified this as "warts on Matilda". (Waltzing Matilda, get it?). Rushton then produced a gem of a pun—or sprightly bearded ingboard waving a bottle of cheap liquor. None was fast enough to put a song to this. It was—and I humbly beg your pardon this early in the morning and perhaps even over breakfast—"Tie me canned guru down, sport."

For this wit, some sort of points were awarded, and Peter Maddocks apparently won the day, winning 45 to Rushton's and Lyttelton's 42 apiece. Harris, humbly, as suited a host, did not enter the lists with his guests, but surely a gunshot wound in a fleshy part of the leg would not be too lavish an award for producing a man with a *mouse on his upper* lip and calling it "Mouse-tache"; and what punishment would be severe enough for a man with ice cubes strapped to his chin *entitled* "Chin Chiller".

I was amused by the awfulness of it all, and perhaps a little by Rushton's caustic political comments about Mrs Thatcher, Mr Edward Short, and his old enemy Mr Reggie Maudling. But, welcomed or not, were these satiric barbs really at home during the kiddies' viewing hours?

Tokyo Ballet
Sadler's Wells

John Percival

Seeing 46 dancers simultaneously on the Sadler's Wells stage in *Le Palais de Crystal,* negotiating without mishap the intricacies of a typical Balanchine finale, one gets an idea of the skill and discipline of Tokyo Ballet. This work is a restaging of the first version of Balanchine's work to the Bizet symphony, created for the Paris Opera Ballet with Toumanova and Maria Tallchief as guest stars. The Japanese dancers do not compete in that league, but they show great proficiency.

What they cannot do is to bring out the distinctive qualities of the different movements: the sheer brilliance of the first, the assured grandeur of the second, the speed and zip of the third. These all tend to look rather alike, which detracts from the deliberately accumulative choreography of the fourth. Within that limitation, it remains an enjoyable presentation.

The delicate style of Les Sylphides eludes the soloists, perhaps more from the way they have been taught it than from any disability, although Manabu Akagi's mimsy showing in the male role was an exception to the general impression that the male dancers in this company are stronger than the women. Here, too, the absolute unanimity of the *corps de ballet* is impressive.

Two Russian display pieces completed the programme. Hideteru Kitahara's staging of a suite from *Paquita* provides yet another version of this protean work. Chikahisa Natsuyama's virtuoso solo was done with great panache; his ballerina, Chie Abe, was capable but more stolid. I thought it deplorable that the programme did not name any of the other soloists; it also failed to tell us who the conductor was.

The other show-off work was *The Ocean and the Pearls,* not seen here for years although it used to be popular in Bolshoi concert programmes. Kitahara brings tremendous speed and strength to the male entries in the finale, and copes manfully with his main solo, although there the strain shows a little more. The two girls are Yuko and Hiroko Tomoda, twins whose similarity of appearance and movement add piquancy to their identical movements.

The costumes do not always show the dancers to best advantage: the short tutus for *Paquita* and the Balanchine ballet are shaped behind like a duck's bottom. But Miyamoto's setting for *Les Sylphides* is attractive: a European woodland glade seen through Japanese eyes, pretty but given strength by one free-standing tree in front of the painted backcloth.

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Bernard Levin

Has truth become a dead language?

All passion spent, there is no more to be said; yes and no, in and out, have had their say (and a bit over), and we have nothing to do but vote, and then wait for Mr Wilson to tell us that all our economic troubles are now over, and for Mr Foot to add that the NUR's demand for a 35 per cent rise is well within the terms of the Social Contract. And yet something happened during the campaign, arising directly out of it, which prompts the melancholy reflection that our decision does not much matter, that whether we are in or out of the EEC we are doomed, and that perhaps, if such things can happen, we deserve to be. I shall vote Yes, and I shall still feel cheered if I am among the majority and dismayed if I am not, but I shall not be able to avoid the feeling that

The winner's shout, the loser's curse
Dance before dead England's hearse.

Each day during the campaign, a leading figure on one side or the other appeared in a BBC radio programme, called *Referendum Call*, in which listeners would telephone to ask questions or make comments. One of the principal advocates of Yes being Mr Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary (he was, after all, among the chief architects of the negotiations that led to the Government's decision to recommend a Yes vote), he was naturally one of those who came forward to be questioned or criticized, in this series, on behalf of Yes. Asked by a Mrs Levy about the leaflets distributed to every household in the country, he explained that

You will have three pamphlets. One will be the Government's recommendation to the British people to stay in; the second, prepared by the pro-Marketeers, will say why you should vote Yes; and the third one will be by the anti-Marketeers saying why you should vote No. I do recommend you to read all three, but particularly, in view of the Government's recommendation, to read that one most importantly.

At this Mrs Levy, who can clearly count up to three, said: "There are two for and one against?" And Mr Callaghan replied

No, there is one for and one against, and there is the third one, which is the Government's view, which comes down in favour, on balance, of Britain remaining a member of the Community.

Mr Robin Day, who was in the chair, then took over, and the following exchanges took place between him and Mr Callaghan:

Day: Mrs Levy said two for and one against; that is correct.
Callaghan: No, that is not correct. I am not pro, nor am I anti . . .
Day: You are not pro?
Callaghan: No, I am not.
Day: What are you doing on this programme?
Callaghan: I am here because you asked me, Mr Day.
Day: You are here to advise people to vote Yes, aren't you?
Callaghan: Now, Mr Day, we are not debating this issue. The Prime Minister has taken the same line: it is our job to advise the British people on what we think would be the right result.

Collectors of unimportant but symmetrical statistics may care to note, before we continue, that Mr Callaghan there managed to tell five lies in five sentences (incidentally, if anybody doubts—and it would be an understandable doubt—that such an exchange really took place, the transcript of the passage may be found in *The Listener*, and I have quoted it verbatim); I might as well list them. The first was his "No, *there is one for* and one against", in reply to Mrs Levy's "There are two for and one against?", the second was his "No, that is not correct" in reply to Mr Day's repetition of her point, the third his "I am not pro", the fourth was his "No, I am not", to Mr Day's "You are not pro?", and the fifth was, in reply to Mr Day's "What are you doing on this programme?", his "I am here because you asked me".

As I say, the number of Mr Callaghan's mendacities is not important, but in a sense the fact of them is not important either. Since everybody in the country had seen, or would shortly see, the three pamphleters—two for and one against—he could scarcely have intended, let alone hoped, to deceive the listeners, and anyway he had just said that the third pamphleter was "*the* Government's recommendation to stay in". What had happened is that the connexion between Mr Callaghan's mind and his mouth had broken. As Orwell said, in *Politics and the English Language*,

A speaker who uses that kind of phraseology has gone some distance towards turning himself into a machine. The appropriate noises are coming out of his larynx, but his brain is not involved . . .

Now the Foreign Secretary had not suffered a momentary mental breakdown; the schizophrenic ability to make such noises without involving his brain sprang from the fact that his brain has become literally anaesthetised to the meaning of words, because so much of his waking life is spent using words to promote a meaning which is not in fact contained in them, or indeed to obscure meaning altogether.

Politicians are often accused of being liars by profession, and in some cases they are, but the chronic liars are a small minority; the general charge that can be levelled with justice against a far larger number is that, in defiling language by using it as I have just described, they are defiling thought itself, and ultimately helping to destroy it. Montaigne was not exaggerating in the slightest when he said that

Since mutual understanding is brought about solely by way of words, he who breaks his word betrays human society. It is the only instrument by means of which our wills and thoughts communicate, it is the interpreter of our soul. If it fails us, we have no more hold on each other, no more knowledge of each other. If it deceives us, it breaks up all our *relations and dissolves all the* bonds of our society.

That seems to me to be an exact description of what Mr Callaghan was helping to bring about. Remember that he was not, in that episode, in the familiar situation of the politician caught on a hook who feels obliged to wriggle off it even if *he tears the truth from his back* in doing so, for, as I say, neither he nor anybody else could *seriously* deny, even as an intellectual exercise, that the three pamphlets we all received were divided two-to-one for Yes against No; your very Kaufmans and Skeffington-Lodges combined would not maintain that Mr Callaghan could be believed in the matter, or deserved to be. So he was not stealing the water from the well of truth; he was doing something worse, to wit, poisoning it. And what followed?

So having said, a while he stood,
expecting
Their universal shout and high
applause
To fill his ear, when contrary he
hears
On all sides, from innumerable
tongues

A dismal universal hiss, the sound
Of public scorn. . . .

But that is precisely where despair comes in; for nothing of the kind took place. There was no great swell of outrage; I have met nobody who heard it and thought it of any significance; a friend telephoned me the moment it was over, but there was only bewilderment in his voice, not anger; so far as I know (and I apologise if I am doing anyone an injustice) I am the only commentator to mention it publicly.

If that is the case, if our minds are so deadened by hearing such words as their authors are by speaking them, then it does not much matter whether Britain stays in the European Community, and scarcely matters whether she exists, for in a vital (literally vital) sense she has already ceased to exist. The English language is not a tool, though it is used as one; it is not an ornament, though it is ornamental; it is not even a conduit, though expression passes through it. It is us, and we are it; it defines us as well as describing us, it is the breath whereby we have life, the means and also the meaning, the hedge and the field alike. If it perishes, we perish; no, if it perishes we *have* perished.

And has it *not*? A man—no mad, not wicked—is asked before an audience of millions to agree that two are more than one, and replies "No, that is not correct", and when the man he is talking to insists that it is correct, he repeats that it is not. And absolutely nothing happens, except that I write this and you read it, if indeed you do. I shall watch the results eagerly tomorrow, and try not to think that

What's past and what's to come
is strewn with husks
And formless ruin of oblivion.

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Television licences: a call for action

I asked readers to let me know if there were any further unlawful demands from the National TV Licence Records Office for money not owed on a licence legally taken out and fully paid for. I now learn from several that—almost incredibly in view of the fact that the matter is now under investigation by the Ombudsman—letters have been going out from that Office (signed on behalf of the manager") threatening that licences will be revoked unless money not due is paid "within four weeks". In view of the fact that the Ombudsman, or Parliamentary Commissioner, acts by authority of, and reports directly to, Parliament, this is, *prima facie*, a gross contempt. I have often criticized MPs for being too quick to raise questions of parliamentary privilege, but that is because such matters almost invariably concern only the personal position of the MPs. In this case something that I am sure most MPs would agree is more important—namely the *protection of the citizens and* their rights—is involved, and I hope that, as soon as Parliament reassembles next week (and it will have to be immediately, as one of the rules of the House of Commons is that such matters must be raised at the earliest opportunity), one or more Members will ask the Speaker, and through him the House, to refer this action to the Committee on Privileges for a ruling.

Reopening the Suez Canal is Egypt's crowning glory

Tens of thousands of jubilant Egyptians have converged on Port Said to see President Anwar Sadat reopen the Suez Canal today.

The canal is being reopened exactly eight years after the 1967 Middle East war which brought defeat and humiliation to the Arabs as Israel occupied large chunks of their territory.

General Gamassi, War Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces, will open the ceremony by leading about 80,000 people in a procession to the waterfront, symbolizing Egypt's struggle for her land.

He will hand over the canal to civilian control—for the first time since 1956. Then, after addressing the nation, President Sadat will *board the destroyer*, October Six—named after the day in 1973 when the Egyptians crossed the canal to push the Israelis east in Sinai—for a cruise to Ismailia.

The canal has been the scene of one of the biggest and at a cost of £120m, one of the costliest mine-clearing operations in the world. Egyptian, British, French and American naval teams cleared all the bombs, mines, other miscellaneous explosives and wrecks accumulated since the 1967 Six Day war.

Canal officials now emphasize that it is the clearest waterway in the world. This is to calm the fears of some insurance firms which intend to charge a hazard premium on ships using the canal. New tolls, between 90 and 100 per cent more than the 1967 rates, are expected to bring in more than £200m in foreign currency every year.

There will be one convoy each way every day, but there will be no night traffic until up-to-date signalling and guidance equipment is installed, hopefully within six months.

Another of Egypt's hopes an ambitious plan to widen a deepen the canal. The proje which would cost about £30 and take eight years to co plete in two stages, will enal supertankers of up to 250,0 tons to sail through the can

Meanwhile projects to rec struct the canal region, duced to ruins during years fighting, are going ahead. Th sands of housing units in P Said, Ismailia and Suez ha been rebuilt.

There are hopes that opening the canal will ush in a lasting peace in Middle East, after more th 25 years of conflict. But Pre dent Sadat, who has seen encouraging indication Israel's intention to thin forces in Sinai to coincide w the reopening of the canal, repeatedly warned that peace efforts failed, then Ar will have no alternative but fight again.

Since it was opened in N ember, 1879, the canal has be a source of pain and pride the Egyptians. Thousands di digging it by forced labo then the country went ba rupt following lavish spendi on ceremonies to mark opening. In the First a Second World Wars, All forces occupied the region in 1956 Britain and France, collaboration with Israel, vaded Egypt to try to prev the canal's nationalization President Nasser.

Then came the disaster 1967. Seven years later, 1973, came the great cros of October 6, as the Egypti proudly describe their storm of the canal and taking Israel's fortified Bar-Lev on the eastern bank. This, t say, has wiped out the di disgrace.

A Special Correspond

Ronald Butt

Paying the price for the mirage of 'moderation'

Whether or not Mr Prentice had meant what he seemed to mean about coalition at the time he wrote it, or whether he had really meant what he said he meant by the time he came to say it, and whatever we take his final delphic words to imply, there is no doubt that he intended to convey a meaning of some kind.

From his gloss or his own speech, he seemed to be advocating, if not a coalition, a government of national unity, which presumably means that whatever party holds office it should behave in such a way as not to create national divisions, with the opposition being similarly restrained.

What has stimulated Mr Prentice to his latest outburst of moderation is that he has found it a heartening experience to work in the cause of the EEC alongside "fellow-moderates" in other parties. Presumably Mr Prentice was trying to say that it would be in the national interest if this could go on, in some unspecified way, after today.

But the truth is that Labour "moderation" and willingness to compromise is, with one important exception, a mirage—and the quicker it is seen as such, the better for the clarity of politics. We must pay the moderate Labour Ministers the compliment of assuming that they are doing what they believe to be right. But the fact has to be faced that they are actually doing more to change the social, political and economic structure of the nation (and in a direction which certainly was not an issue at the last election) than the so-called political extremists and, specifically, than Mr Benn, and they are even more uncompromising than he is about what they are doing.

The exception that divides him from the moderates is the important one that they accept the arithmetic of inflation, and its prime cause in wage demands and public spending, as he does not. But then, he is almost alone in the Cabinet in his idiosyncratic public attitude to this subject. Even the sea-green incorruptibility of Mrs Castle's socialism is not apparently a stumbling-block to her as she prepares to support Mr Wilson in whatever draconian things have to be done to public spending to save the economy.

But as for the rest, how can it really be said that what Mr Benn is doing in throwing public money after failed newspapers and motorcycles, or even nationalization, really has anything like the impact on the social structure of the nation and the freedom of the individual as the policies of those well-known moderates (to take but three) Mr Prentice himself, Mr Crosland and Mr Healey?

Mr Prentice's education policy worries and deeply divides educational and individual opinion. Among ordinary people in the country, there is certainly not a majority for the attitudes he favours. Education is now a battleground for political ideologists and social experimenters. Very many parents and teachers who are no less sincerely concerned for educational standards than Mr Prentice believe that the changes of structure which he is enforcing are harmful. But for Mr Prentice, the debate is closed and he is adamant against any compromise or even listening to the other case.

When he is invited, for instance, to comment on the problem of disorder in many schools, he simply sees it either as part of a general social phenomenon or as the consequence of "dedicated teachers" being "let down" by parents. His mind is as closed to the possibility that the educational system has anything to do with this, as it is to the widespread worries about what has happened to academic standards in recent years. Where is the moderation here?

When Mr Prentice talks about a "government of national unity" and the need to avoid political point scoring, he means simply that the "boring economic battles" in the House of Commons should be subject to some kind of truce. But the still more vital battle over the freedom of the individual, of which education is a part, enjoys no such dispensation. With the aid of Mr Healey's taxation, Mr Prentice intends to bring virtually all education under state control in a more or less monolithic pattern, destroying the independent element allied to the state system which the direct grant schools provided, and reducing the independent schools to no more than the prerogative for the very rich so that they can easily be discredited.

Where then ultimately will be the independence of mind and attitude, free of the incubus of political local authorities, which are essential for education in a truly free society?

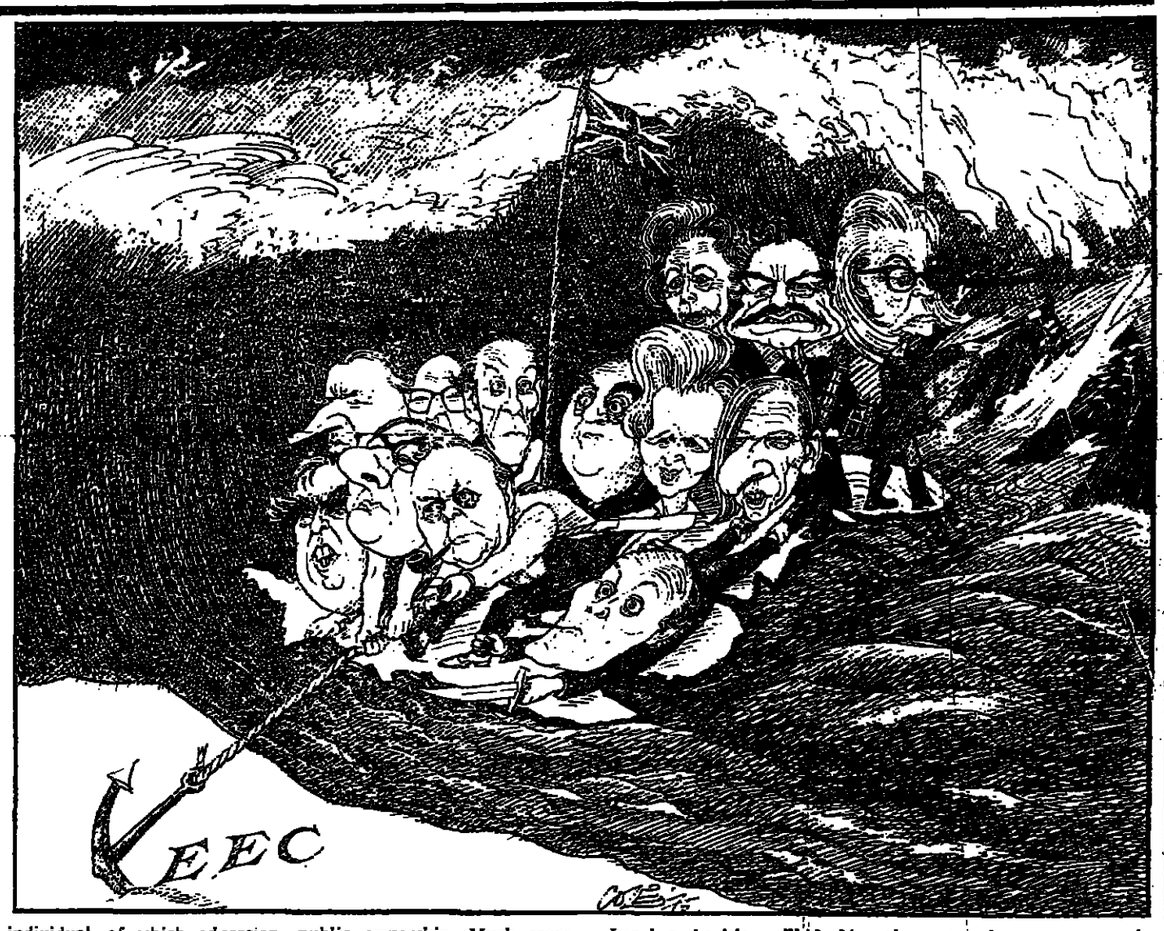
Then there is Mr Crosland. The Rent Act is driving rented accommodation off the market and the undisguised hope of his junior Minister, Mr Freeson, is that this will bring it all under public ownership. Much more serious, however, are the implications of the Community Land Bill with its potential for the growth of autocratic powers. This will give the local authorities (and ultimately the Secretary of State) all power over land for development.

It means that if an owner applies to develop his own land, the local authority can step in and develop it themselves. It means that third parties can identify other people's land for development by applying for planning permission—on which the local authorities can give such permission or take it for development themselves. The scope for local autocracy and the sort of corruption that comes from bureaucratic deals with third parties is obvious when local authorities are free to choose, without any control, who will develop which land.

Local authorities will decide which land is suitable for development, whatever its present use. Owners will have no automatic right to a public inquiry. It is difficult to see what protection, for instance, will even be available to people living in houses in low density areas if it is determined to take them over for compulsory development—and the scope for political "colonization" in certain areas is obvious.

None other than Mr Silkin has admitted that if all the Government was concerned with was to stop land speculation, taxation would do it. But he has said that is not the real purpose—which is rather "a total solution of the land question". Between the lines, that means that gradually control of all land and the real ownership of most is to pass to the Government. Even the precarious licence given to the owner-occupier will be worth little if authority is determined to compulsorily purchase his property wholesale because he occupies too much space.

This is what is happening in the policy sphere of two "moderate" Ministers. There are also the better appreciated consequences of Mr Healey's tax measures—in which he is as immoderate as anyone else, however orthodox his approach to economic management. Now it may be that all these policies are right and what the nation wants, though I do not think so. What is surely indisputable is that they are not moderate and are more socially revolutionary than Mr Benn's indulgencies. What would Mr Prentice, Mr Crosland or Mr Healey cede in order to get the national unity that at any rate one of them affects to want?



Through a mouth darkly

For those who have missed some, if not all, of Bruce Lacey's life and works, here is his curriculum vitae. Occupation: painter, multi-media creator, actor, magician, knife-thrower, tightrope-walker. Wartime career: Worked in explosives factory, also as bank clerk; built aeroplane simulator in bedroom. Now pacifist and vegetarian. Educated in hospital, and, theoretically, at art school. Written and performed in *An Evening of British Rubbish*, *British Landing on the Moon* and many other shows, some with the Alberts (comedians and newspaper van drivers). Has appeared in *The Knack*, *Help* and other professionals films, and has co-produced his own, such as *How to Have a Bath* (with Jill Bruce, his wife) and *The Lacey Rituals* in which he co-stars with Jill Bruce, Kevin Lacey, Tiffany Lacey, Saffron Lacey and Fred Lacey. Married twice, the second time with one of his robots as best man.

These details raise quite as many questions as they answer, and his current exhibition at the Fruit Market Gallery, Edinburgh ("Manifestations of the Obsessions and Fantasies of Bruce Lacey and Jill Bruce", until June 14), fleshes out the bones.

Taking the form of a journey through the life of Bruce Lacey, exhibits range from his first ever toys—models of Red Indians—to his latest films and sets, such as the vast mouth from *Journey through the Organs of the Human Body*. It was on a left lower molar of this that he was sitting when he explained his artistic development to me.

"I trace my roots back to Red Indians and early cavemen. Red Indians until the last century or so were living very much like Stone Age men, not specializing, learning very many different skills. They lived very much as part of the world and nature, and their art was a direct outcome of their needs for mental and physical survival—their work and play were all a mixture.

"In our society adults play with their children very rarely, at Bank Holidays. But with my family, our work and our play are one and the same thing. If a man is keen on his hobbies, he is said to be a schoolboy who's never grown up—but children are what people are *meant* be. We believe that wh people do for their hobbies what they should be doing a living."

Living out this theory, Lac and his young family take multi-media ex-Army around to festivals and oth places where children can found to play around with climbing, painting, messi about experiences it offers.

Lacey owes it all to the that gave him time to think a paint: "I had managed to off the express train that tai you on at five and you don't off until aged 65."

At the Royal College of he was a one-man student rest movement. He once turn up entirely swathed in ba ages, declaring himself to the Invisible Man after accident. "I escaped from staff and climbed on the r to paint the chimney pots Kensington, and the staff w too frightened to come up th A man called John Bra joined me. Yes, the Jo Bratby.

"After that I went i cabaret shows with early mi media performances." Th featured a collapsible pia music played on a penny-far ing and an exploding harp; also made props for Mich Bentine.

"Out of all my work, I b up a hatred of actors, an began to perform with t electronic actors who did the things actors do—thro libbed, missed cues, got d ceived." He took to dre as a Victorian policeman ing into parties and hand people together. Alien territ 20 years ago, today these Go ish jokes and happenings h become familiar ground.

His paintings and arti contraptions were finally rec nized in an exhibition at Gallery One and Marlborou Since performing with marrying Jill Bruce, he moved away from "the h sell"—such as the reconstr tion of a suburban drawi room where kinkiness and po ography lurk beneath hypocrisy and respectability to what he calls the "soft sel

The "Incredible Wha Machine" is one of his proje that allows children to indu themselves. "We started talk things to children's pl grounds: we can't chan adults, but we'll try to get the children before it's too la We believe in complete fr dom, and find they're destroying things."

As for their parents. "Th are no swings for adults".

Jonathan Sa

The Times Diary

Among the women and the horses

In truth, we live in exciting times. Today we all vote in what for most of us will be our first referendum. And yesterday saw two events which for many are the social highlight of the season—the Derby at Epsom and the Annual General Meeting of the National Federation of Women's Institutes at the Royal Albert Hall. Michael Leapman joined the women and Juliette Harrison watched the horses. Ladies first, so Leapman begins:

The meeting did not start until 10.45, but before 10 many of the 6,000 delegates were queuing outside the Albert Hall in the sunshine. The other event impinged. I had to leap smartly to avoid being felled by a keg of beer being rolled by a man in a plastic topper on to an open-top bus, clearly Epsom-bound.

It was the first time I had attended the function, and another first-timer was the federation's new assistant press officer. "What I'm looking forward to most", she confided, "is hearing them all sing *Jerusalem* at the beginning." And indeed it was a stirring experience moving some to tears.

The press seats were immediately below the podium, meaning that reporters viewed the events through a bank of blue and pink hydrangeas. All the same, I was able to glimpse that Pat Jacob, the chairperson, ran away with the fashion honours, in a dazzling dress in a geometric pattern of black, orange, green, yellow, purple, pink and beige. Above this were a pair of daringly long earrings and spectacles of a startling cherry red.

It has become hackneyed to point out that the Women's Institutes are not just organizations to promote the making of jam and the bottling of fruit, but that they also discuss serious social issues. This year's agenda was formidably stern, including discussions on rape, battered wives, breast cancer, female equality and world food supplies.

Mrs Foss, the treasurer, set a sombre tone early on when presenting the accounts, which she described as "a grim beginning to the reality which is upon us". Mrs Jacob tried to cheer us up, though, by asking: "Aren't we fortunate to be alive at this time of great challenge to us all?" and concluding with another question: "Will a spirit of moderation prevail?"

Then the proper business began, beginning with a motion urging the establishment of Government clinics for screening against breast cancer. "If men died of it there wouldn't be the difficulty", said one speaker, presaging the next resolution, which was about equality for women.

The timetable, which was adhered to rigidly, allowed little time for discussion to develop. There was concern whether equality meant that women would not get their pension until they were 65. Some thought the answer was to give men a pension at 60, while a sub-postmistress from Dorset believed that both men and women should be pensioned at 62!

The most dramatic instance of discrimination was offered by a speaker who complained that women at a tennis club were not allowed to play snooker, though they could play bowls, darts and table tennis.

After being given cards asking them to become kidney donors, the women adjourned for lunch, many of them defying the weather—by now chilly and cloudy—to picnic under the Albert Memorial. They were also defying notices urging them to keep off the grass, and perhaps in retribution some were driven indoors by a sprinkling of rain. Yet most showed a doughty British spirit and stayed put, some protecting their heads with sandwich bags.

Fillies

Women's liberation was also in evidence at Epsom, as Juliette Harrison reports:

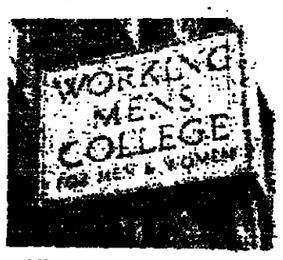
Appropriately in International Women's Year Nobiliary, the first filly to take on the colts in the Derby since 1944, beat 16 of them to finish second. In the grandstand this audacious move was repeated with equal success when Ladbroke's proudly produced their first female bookmaker since Helen Bernay's retirement 20 years ago.

Judith Bird is 25, small, blonde and determined. She was not in the least nervous about manning her pitch on the topmost tier of the stands. "I just want to get up there and prove myself", she said, adding that certain male colleagues would be delighted if "I fall flat on my face".

Having started her gambling life in a Nottingham betting shop she claims she could make a book as well as any man. But her loyal claim that female punters bet scientifically took a bearing when the grandstand women poured their money on to Lester Piggott's mount Brumi, who lost his chance at Tattenham Corner.

Ron Pollard, Ladbroke's chief spokesman and Miss Bird's chaperone, said he was disappointed with the lack of betting on tomorrow's big contest, the referendum. They had not taken one EECEpsom double. But he brightened at the thought that there had been a run on the outsider Dominion in the betting shops: "There could be some tenuous connexion", he explained.

Whether it was due to the referendum, to the economic situation or to a chilly afternoon the crowds appeared down on last year—a theory supported by barmen and racecard sellers. Film stars and politicians—apart from the traditional figure of Reginald Maudling—were thin on the ground and one anxious young man from commercial television was finding difficulty filling his celebrity spot. He could have tried the Soviet ambassador, who was ushered ceremoniously round the weighing room before the jockeys arrived.



While I am on the subject of the sexes, this sign was photographed in North London by James Leach of Bromley.

Aims of Industry, the right-wing propaganda outfit, are holding a press conference next week to announce a change of name, inspired by "the grave situation facing this country". No hint of what the new name will be. Any suggestions?

Eurotune

There was an irony in the choice of music for the anti-Market National Referendum's television campaign broadcast on Tuesday night. It was the Nimrod variation of Elgar's Enigma variations.

Elgar dedicated this to his friend August Johannes Jaeger, a German musician who became an adviser to Novello and Co, the music publishing company founded by the son of an Italian immigrant. A campaign official seemed unimpressed by the tune's European connexions, pointing out gruffly that Elgar was English anyway.

Looking ahead

An interesting publicity technique which has emerged during the last few days of the referendum campaign is that of the speech released in advance of delivery. Now politicians often send out advance copies of their speeches, but on the understanding that they will be checked against delivery and not reported until they are actually spoken.

Yet last weekend's speech by Reginald Prentice about men of goodwill working together was released nearly two days before he said it, and people were busy analysing it in public well in advance. The same happened a day or two later to Edward du Cann's opaque pronouncement on feeling in the Conservative Party.

The advantages for the politicians are obvious. They get their speeches reported twice—once before they have made them and once after. Moreover, they ensure that television cameras turn up to record the words actually being said. And in the case of Prentice he was able to insert into the speech some reaction to comments made on the basis of the advance text.

I feel that newspapers should resist the temptation to report events before they happen, though I can see that the technique has wider possibilities. If extended to Parliament, copies of Hansard could be in people's hands before the debates.

In diplomacy, the communiqués of international discussions could be issued before the meetings, perhaps obviating the necessity for the talks to be held at all, and freeing the participants for real work. And if football results were issued on the morning before the match, much violence on the terraces could be avoided.

Illtyd Harrington, the deputy leader of the Greater London Council, will vote "No" today, but he is hedging his bets. Anticipating a "yes" majority, he has spent two days this week at the European Investment Bank in Luxembourg, ensuring that, when the time comes to dole out any European gravy, London's claims will not be overlooked.

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Local authority finance

a Special Report

Big news and often bad news

by Christopher Warman
Local Government Correspondent

Local government finance is about a lot more than the problems over the rates, although this truism might have escaped many people in the cacophony of protest which in recent years has greeted the annual rate demand.

As an employer of more than two million staff and responsible for one-third of public expenditure, local government has a huge effect. A few years ago it carried on its work, unnoticed largely, except at very local level. The economic situation and inflation has changed all that.

It is now big news, and usually bad news; and everyone awaits the verdict of the Layfield committee of inquiry into local government finance to see whether a solution can be found to satisfy the need of the Government, local government and the ratepayers. In short, something is needed to restore the confidence of, and in, local government.

The details of local government finance, capital and revenue spending, important as they are, must be secondary to the vital question of the role of local government in Britain.

All governments have paid lip the courtesy of regarding local government as a vital second tier of democracy. But local is always subordinate to central government and when things go wrong local government comes in for its share of the blame.

Over the years, too, local government has lost some of its functions—most recently water and health—despite government insistence in the belief in greater independence for local authorities.

The setting up of the consultative council between central and local government which last month had its first meeting, is an encouragement for those looking to a better relationship. The council is something for which local authorities and their representative associations have been pressing for some time.

Time after time, they have said, the Government has instituted policies without prior consultation with local government, which has meant that the financial implications have not been thoroughly thought through. At this early stage both the Department of the Environment and the local authorities are enthusiastic about the new style cooperation which is promised.

The importance of the relationship between central and local government is reflected in evidence to the Layfield committee which goes beyond the practical changes needed or recommended to ease the financial problems of local authorities.

Thinking on these lines is illustrated by the evidence of one expert, Mr Noel Hepworth, director of finance of Croydon Borough Council. In an independent submission to the committee, he forthrightly states that the answer to the problems of local government lies in a new relationship with central government rather than in the hope of some new source of revenue.

Croydon has its own financial problems, which are mirrored elsewhere and, observing their causes, Mr Hepworth concludes that a new relationship is a necessary condition for the continuation of an effective local government system.

His view, which is shared by many, is that central government requires in its relationship with local government compliance with national political decisions, requires that the balance of the economy is not upset by the actions of local authorities and that local government uses its resources efficiently and effectively.

"These interests are not satisfied by the present arrangements and it therefore seems that both for the sake of protecting local government in the future and also to meet the needs of central government the relationship between central and local government should be clarified and enshrined as far as possible in statute." This would clarify the division of responsibilities and would prevent a creeping extension of central government control over local government.

One solution would be to move to a principal/agent relationship, since the present relationship of principal/principal in theory did not seem to be working. That, of course, would be hated by local government, and Mr Hepworth suggests that the more acceptable solution would be to give local government genuinely more local discretion. Central government should be concerned with the main policy area, not with the detailed administration of services.

The balance would be difficult and would need compromise, but plunging on, Mr Hepworth suggests that the non-metropolitan counties and the metropolitan districts should be basically responsible for community plans. Government would review them and could recommend altering the level of spending and advise on conforming to national policy.

Community plans would be based on a period of three to five years and, as a safeguard for both sides, a powerful all-party parliamentary committee should be established to review local government activity and ensure no central government encroachment.

Answering expected criticism that his proposals would give central government too much control, Mr Hepworth said: "If local government is to survive at all in this country, its function in the governmental process needs to be rethought." Over a period the administrative arrangements could be modified and, as central government became more confident about the success in its view of local government, it might be prepared to agree to a relaxation of the controls.

With that thesis he believes the rates should remain the main source of local taxation, its particular advantage being its inflexibility, given the levels which the rate levy have now reached because of the sensitive reaction it evokes. Any new source should be basically designed to lessen the deficiencies of the existing income sources and smooth their operation, "the oil to make the machinery of the rate and grant mechanism run more smoothly".

It is not without interest that Mr Hepworth regards the Government's community land proposals as following the trend for central government to regard local government as its agent. At present the Government, in particular Mr Silkin, Minister for Planning and Local Government, is spending considerable energy in telling local authorities, "it is up to you".

Judging by the questions to the minister at a study conference on the Community Land Bill last month from local authority councillors and officers, they—with the best will in the world—see difficulties both in the administrative arrangements and the financing.

On the latter question local authorities are assured that not a penny will have to come from the rates for the financing of the land acquisition schemes. It will all come from loans, which will cover everything, and be rolled on until the profits from disposal are showing. But will they be able to get all the loans they want?

An independent consortium, Local Government Services, points out that, given that capital is a finite commodity, its effective application by local government is essential to the well-being of the national economy. Local authorities are accordingly urged to pay attention to the economic realities of their areas for while economic planning is recognized as an aid in the allocation of funds by both industry and commerce "this is not generally the case in local government where the emphasis has tended to be on physical planning at the expense of economic validation", they argue.

Money is the root of almost everything today. It certainly lies inextricably mixed with the continued survival and health of local government. Confidence in local government has suffered lately, and the Greater London Council's recent raising of a £75m loan, while successful for the GLC, shows that lack of confidence since most of the loan was left with the underwriters.

Perhaps all that is needed is a boost to the national economy, to restore the necessary confidence for local government as well.

If local government looks to its own activities and makes sure that no unnecessary spending is undertaken, that will be another help. In the absence of a reform or modernization of local government finance at the time of reorganization, the next and equally necessary aid will be a successful outcome to the deliberations of the Layfield committee.



Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment (fourth from left) presides at the first meeting of the consultative council on local government at his department.

Inflation shows weakness

The furore which has greeted rate demands during the past two years might indicate that people have suddenly found out the terrors of the rates.

Not so, in fact. The present rating system found its origins in the Elizabethan Poor Law, and no doubt people started complaining then. But, more recently, successive generations of national and local politicians have condemned the system as unsatisfactory and unfair.

In 1965 Mr Richard Crossman, then Minister of Housing and Local Government, announced that he intended to replace it with a new local tax "fair, intelligible and capable of being administered reasonably efficiently".

Suggestions for reform

It never happened, and the rating system has continued to operate much as it used to, with only the addition of rebates and domestic rate relief in the rate support grant to appease critics.

Subsequently, various suggestions were made for reform, including the transfer of vehicle-based taxes, especially the fuel tax, to local government, and the possibility of a local income tax.

The Redcliffe-Maud Royal Commission on local Government, which sat from 1966 to 1969, decided that the rating system was too productive to be done away with, but recommended that it should be supplemented by a second and more buoyant local tax.

At that time the prospect of a more rational set of local government boundaries also seemed a good omen for reform, for an argument used against some alternative taxes was that they could not be administered sensibly or fairly while boundaries were archaic.

The Government's green paper in 1971 was therefore a great disappointment, for it gave no hope of great reform in the foreseeable future. The alternative local taxes which had been strongly recommended in the late 1960s were criticized as ineffective or inoperable at reasonable cost. As Lord Redcliffe-Maud and Bruce Wood wrote in a book, *English Local Government Reformed*, published last year, "those who had foreseen that no government would give up a major buoyant tax were proved true prophets.

'Worst fears confirmed'

"It remained for the Government's consultation paper of 1973 and legislation of 1973-74 to confirm the worst fears of the pessimist. Local government continues to depend on rates and grants", they observe.

That was last year, and it looks now as if the times have changed. As a result of the economic situation and inflation, the past two years have largely exposed the vulnerability of the rates in its present form, or at least as the only source of local taxation. For its lack of buoyancy at a time of rising costs leaves it open to attack.

While in other respects the system might have been open to criticism, its flaws could be overlooked or tolerated when rate demands were a less significant item in relation to income. It must be pointed out that the proportion of rates to income of the ratepayer has not changed much, but the money amounts and the proportion of the yearly increase has had the effect of making people notice it.

The two main arguments against the present system are that rate demands are in no way effectively related to the ratepayer's ability to pay; and that a property tax of this kind, levied on heads of households only, exempts a significant number of wage-earners from making any contribution to services from which all benefit.

Those criticisms relate particularly to the domestic rates, for rates in the non-domestic sphere can be treated as expenses and deducted from income for purposes of taxation. Thus in evidence to the Layfield committee on local government finance, several bodies have attempted to redress that imbalance.

The advantages of the rates are nevertheless great. The rate charge is levied on local immovable assets, which are identified positively with local authority areas. Compared with other taxes, no difficulties arise in allocating the sums raised to individual local authority areas. Its protagonists see it as a particularly appropriate form of local tax.

It is also the sole independent source of local revenue apart from charges for services, and therefore gives the local elected representatives the power to provide services which are based on local need and which are demanded by the local electorate. Any other source of income, it is permissible to argue, would be liable to some degree of determination by central government, and any further element of central government control would tend to diminish the vital factor of local independence.

The fear is that without the rates, local democracy—already under pressure—might finally wither away. That general principle can be supported by the more practical facts that the rates are an efficient tax to operate, and it produces a considerable income in each year.

This year it is estimated that the rates will yield more than £3,000m in England and Wales—amounting to about 16 per cent of the produce of all sources of taxation.

The rates, however controversial, provide only a quarter of local government spending. The last year for which full statistics are available, 1971-72, showed that the rates provided 26.2 per cent of expenditure. The rest was made up of 37.4 per cent rent and other charges, and 36.4 per cent government grants. Of the rates' portion only just over one half comes from the domestic ratepayer.

Taking local government relevant expenditure—that expenditure which excludes certain specific grants and self-financing services—it is interesting to see how the figures have increased over the past few years.

In 1967-68 relevant expenditure was calculated at £2,619m. Government rate support grant then was 54 per cent, giving a total grant of £1,438m.

By 1970-71 expenditure was calculated at £3,593m, which yielded £2,030m from the Government with a 57 per cent grant. In 1973-74, expenditure had risen to £5,715m, and the governments' grant had increased to 60 per cent and £3,444m.

For 1978-75 the jump in costs, and thus expenditure, is shown by the agreed total of £8,100m, towards which the government grant, increased to 66.5 per cent, is about £5,400m.

The Government, which has never been slow to caution local government about excessive spending and has never ceased to heap more duties upon it, has responded to a considerable degree in the past two years.

In July, 1974, Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, made a once-for-all payment of £150m to the hardest hit of the domestic ratepayers. Domestic relief in the rate support grant has increased from five old pennies in 1967-68, to 6p in 1973-74, 13p in England (33.5p in Wales) in 1974-75, and 18.5p in England (36p in Wales) for the present year.

The rates have risen despite this aid by the 25 per cent which Mr Crosland hoped would be the ceiling and have been kept to that average increase only by pruning and cuts by local authorities. This is the quandary of the rates, which now need speedy assistance and understanding if they are to survive.

C.W.

Some of the subjects covered in this report will, with many others, be discussed more fully at the annual conference of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy. The conference begins next Tuesday at the Princess Theatre, Torquay. Among the speakers will be Lord Peddie, chairman of the Post Office Users' National Council and of the Agrément Board, and formerly chairman of the Prices and Incomes Board.

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Rebel ratepayers notwithstanding, investment is safe here

by Peter Clayton
chairman and managing director, Butler Till

Given the present tense economic climate in the United Kingdom, it is difficult for a money broker to be certain that he is always acting in the best interests of both borrower and lender. This is particularly true when considering placing funds with local authorities. There has been a spate of newspaper reports recently pointing to the financial difficulties of councils, but there need be no qualms in placing funds with local authorities as there is no real credit risk.

Each year they prepare a meticulous budget covering their proposed expenditure for the coming 12 months. This they must do to arrive at the residual amount of net expenditure for which they must levy a rate. The law requires that this must be a sufficient rate—neither too large nor too small; there is no question of a local authority deliberately running a deficiency budget.

The aggregate of these individual budgets finds its way to the Department of the Environment where, after criticism, *fore et dare*, the total is cut back to what the Government considers to be a proper overall expenditure in the economic circumstances and the government grant is based on this total.

During the present year grant will be 66.5 per cent of the total of rate and grant borne expenditure, that is to say twice as much will fall on national as on local taxes. Local authorities employ vast numbers of staff, and it is too easy for this empire to grow without the real cost being taken into account. Also, central government tends too easily to impose fresh social responsibilities without counting the cost in man-hours required to provide such a service.

One of the inbuilt faults of our democratic system of politics is that one party continues to vie with another in giving away social attractions that will probably gain popularity and bring votes but place an extra burden upon local government which has to look after the day-to-day administration of such policies.

All too often our political leaders add to the national burden without sufficient thought whether we can afford the latest luxury. All parties have misled the public into believing the nation can give them more than it can afford and it is often the local authority treasurer, his colleagues and the finance committee who have to pick up the pieces in the end.

However, even allowing for the fact that often the authorities are instructed to spend more than they might consider prudent at times, it does not follow that this will lead to a situation where a local authority cannot meet its commitments. To start with each authority has the legal right to claim by way of rate demands sufficient funds to keep the books in balance.

It is true that because of the steep rise in rates during the past year or two, we have heard much more about rates rebellions. On television groups of ratepayers from various parts of the country have been seen declaring that they will withhold payment. Obviously, if such a movement really gained momentum, the authorities could be placed in an awkward position. But even in this case the local treasurer is probably better off than the local bank manager, should the latter's depositors create a run on his bank.

The Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) will act as a lender of last resort, and this facility is laid down in the PWLB circular of March 6, 1964. Paragraph 3 of the circular says: "Each authority will be expected to make all reasonable efforts to obtain the remainder of its borrowing requirements from sources other than the loan commissioners. The commissioners will, however, continue to act as lender of last resort and will make additional loans if satisfied that an authority cannot raise the money elsewhere, either from local sources or in the centralized money market."

It was possible that in days gone by this facility might have been too ponderous to be made effective in sufficient time to prevent a treasurer having to admit failure to repay on a due date. Recent events have ensured that the PWLB is now aware that if this facility is to be meaningful, it must be capable of rapid action.

Special seminars have been arranged in our offices in the City to which senior members of the PWLB and the Department of the Environment have been invited and the potential problems have been made clear. Therefore, as money brokers seeking funds for local authorities, we are convinced that their credit rating is second only to government borrowing and that the lender of last resort facility is capable of giving the necessary assistance should it be required.

The greater problem which exists is really in the economic and political trends in Britain. It is foolish to focus so much attention on local authorities and their problems when we are really discussing the problems of the country as a whole. If local government breaks down financially and administratively, then the country breaks down. Our government borrowing in the form of gilt-edged securities, Treasury bills, and so on, would collapse and chaos would ensue.

Such an event is possible but highly unlikely. The situation is always clouded since one political group will tend to say we have no real problems, that we are still a rich nation and with greater control by central government and less by private ownership the way ahead is bright.

Others will say that our troubles are primarily due to overspending by central government which is not regulated by the natural economic brake which the profit and loss account of private business dictates. There is no simple answer but it cannot be ignored that the world in general trades internationally on a profit and loss basis. No country will buy our goods unless they are competitive in price and delivery date. Equally, no country will sell us goods at cheaper rates than they can get elsewhere.

It is true that all nations spend some of their wealth to provide social services and subsidize certain industries where necessary. However, all such spending has to be provided by the profit side of the trading companies of such nations and in the end a balance is struck. For a long time now the balance for the United Kingdom has been heavily against us.

It is no good bleating about the price of oil. If it had not been that, it might have been something else. Meanwhile, our imbalance is being financed by borrowing from overseas. This cannot continue without a plan being put into action to remedy the situation. Part of that plan will bear heavily on local authorities to cut back on their spending.

The officials in these authorities will have many problems in the months to come, and it is hoped that the constant questioning of their viability will not be one of them. The creation of new local authorities in Scotland recently will add even further to their burden. Criticism should be directed more to the politicians and less to their employees and elected representatives in local government, who have to put into effect their policies.



Low-rise flats are part of the Halton Brook Local Centre, Runcorn New Town.

New towns quickly cleared their debts

by John Young
Planning and Environment Reporter

Last month Mr John Silkin, Minister for Planning and Local Government, asked Parliament to authorize an increase in the borrowing limits for new towns from £1,500m to £2,250m. In the context of the present economic crisis and the accompanying strictures against soaring public expenditure it was an audacious request.

That it passed with minimal comment is a tribute to the financial success of the programme which began nearly 30 years ago. During the financial year 1973-74 the 28 new towns established in England, Wales and Scotland made a profit on current account of nearly £5m. Twelve of the longest-running enterprises, including the four now administered by the Commission for the New Towns, showed a combined profit of more than £15.5m, and the losses were incurred by those still in the rapid growth stage.

New towns are, in short, good business. To draw a comparison between them and local authorities, most of which are struggling to keep their heads above water, would be unfair since the development corporations enjoy special advantages and have fairly few statutory responsibilities. Indeed, in a sense, they feed off the councils. But the fact remains that, in the view of both government and private institutional financiers, they represent a first class credit risk.

Although plans for the first new towns were dreamt up during the Second World War, their economic birth dates from the New Towns Act 1947, which entrusted their future to development corporations to be financed entirely from government funds. On the basis that they would take two generations to become fully established, the Act provided for 60-year loans, a provision which in principle still applies.

Such was the success of the earlier new towns, however, that within less than one generation most of them were in the black. Four in particular—Crawley, Hatfield, Hemel Hempstead and Welwyn Garden City—prospered to the extent that the development corporations were wound up and their administration was handed over to the centralized Commission for the New Towns, which is estimated to own assets worth more than £300m.

In general, the dependence of new towns upon the Government has been eroded by the Statutory Corporations (Financial Provisions) Act 1974, which now enables them to borrow privately, either at home or from foreign sources. In practice the Treasury has, for balance of payments reasons, refused to sanction overseas loans, but in the longer term the implication is that the corporations can take care of their own finances.

Even before the 1974 Act, Runcorn concluded an approved agreement with Grosvenor Estates for a joint town centre development project. Milton Keynes, Peterborough and Irvine have also entered into similar arrangements.

The decision of the 1970-74 Conservative Government to allow the sale of corporation houses to tenants also helped to foster the idea of economic independence. During that period the corporations made an estimated £130m from house sales; some, such as Basildon and Stevenage, encountered such an enthusiastic response that they found themselves with sufficient funds to pay for their own capital projects.

The returning Labour Government soon put a stop to that and, since the repeal of the Housing Finance Act 1972, development corporations can no longer expect to make a profit on their housing revenue accounts. But in most cases loan charges can be comfortably met from income from commercial rents.

Despite their healthy position on current account, none of the new towns has yet been asked to repay any of its original capital loans. Undoubtedly, many of them could raise the money by selling off commercial freeholds to the private sector but, even if this was allowed, the question remains of how the proceeds should be spent.

Successive governments have blown hot and cold on whether or not those new towns which have theoretically reached their maximum growth should be allowed to expand further. Stevenage and Harlow, for example, might at any time be asked to provide for a further 50,000 to 100,000 population.

Moreover, local councils are becoming increasingly resentful of what they regard as the development corporations' privileged status. In part, their attitude is based on political antipathy to allegedly autocratic and undemocratic bodies which possess powers that they themselves cannot obtain.

But they also have a real grievance in that they are required to provide infrastructure and amenities—schools, hospitals, roads, public services, parks and recreation areas—while the corporations make healthy profits out of land acquired, in many cases, by compulsory purchase.

The corporations claim that their hands are tied and that they cannot legally offer the help they would like to provide. In a few cases they have obtained authorization to contribute to the cost of new schools or roads, and in some instances they have asked for local authority allocations to be earmarked for specific projects. But, while there is cooperation in some cases, most county and district authorities directly involved with new towns within their boundaries feel that they are poor and exploited relations.

"One aim of the consortium is to enable local authorities to be their own developers so that they can keep the profit for themselves and their ratepayers."
The Times, Oct, 1973.

"The consortium maintains that unless there is effective validation both of overall development plans and of individual projects within such plans... local authority financial problems in the development field will never be satisfactorily resolved."
Estates Times, March, 1975.

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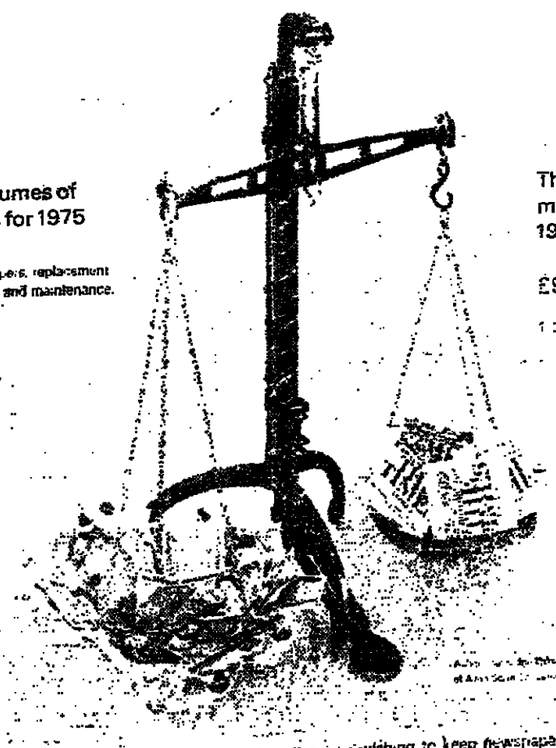
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Long overdue inquiry gets wide variety of advice about rates

by Christopher Warman

The Layfield Committee of Inquiry into Local Finance was set up in June, 1974, by Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment, when the protest against the year's rate increases was reaching its climax.

It was to be an independent committee, chaired by Mr Frank Layfield, QC, a man with wide experience of local government matters, and given the broad terms of reference "to review the whole system of local government finance in England, Scotland and Wales and to make recommendations".

Such an inquiry was long overdue. Local government as a whole felt that the problems of finance should have been tackled at the same time as the reorganization of local government in 1972.

It was asked to report by the end of this year and is keeping to that time-table, although the subject is so complex that some necessary research has not been possible in the detail experts would have wished.

Members of the committee (16 in all) have been putting in a great deal of time on their part-time task, however, and one said recently that if there is an answer to "the problems of local government finance" this committee will find it".

The committee asked for evidence to be submitted by the end of 1974, but many interested organizations found this an impossible deadline. Evidence is still arriving before the members, and the committee now takes the phlegmatic view that as long as it is sitting, evidence will be accepted.

No diminution of independence

Nevertheless, most of the major contributions have been submitted, and oral evidence given before the committee, too. The voluminous evidence submitted has certainly given the committee a wide variety of advice on how to solve local government's financial problems, ranging from the total abolition of the existing rating system (coming, not surprisingly, from the National Union of Ratepayers' Associations), to the equally logical recommendation from the Rating and Valuation Association to retain and strengthen it.

It is important to establish the views of the main political parties, since theirs, ultimately, will be the responsibility for implementation or non-implementation of the committee's proposals.

The Labour Party suggests the retention of the rating system, modified to reduce the ratepayers' burden by such means as the transfer of the cost of teachers' salaries to the Exchequer. These changes would be accompanied by a larger grant from central government from its present 66.5 per cent up to, perhaps, 75 per cent. Although, together, these mean a much greater contribution towards the cost of local services from central government, the Labour Party does not believe local government would necessarily suffer any diminution in its independence.

A local income tax would be the least objectionable new tax possible, the party's evidence concludes. But it would mean a partial reorganization of the two-tier system, which might prove unacceptable.

The Conservatives, by contrast, pledged themselves before the last general election to phase out the domestic rating system "within the normal lifetime of a parliament", and their brief evidence confirms that pledge. It must be added that at the recent Conservative Party local government conference Mrs Thatcher indicated a softening of the party line when she spoke of the need to abolish or make radical changes to the rating system.

The Labour Party alternative is not clear. They favour the transfer of teachers' salaries to the Exchequer, and say that the necessary revenue to replace domestic rates should be raised only by taxation on income, or spending, or some combination of the two. The Conservatives do not spell out proposals in any more detail. They recommend increases in charges, and local lotteries, but accept that these must be peripheral.

They are not keen on a local income tax, and emphasize that if such a tax were instituted, it should be strictly limited in its level and application.

The Liberals believe unequivocally that income tax should become the main source of finance for local councils. Initially, income tax revenue would be shared out among local authorities on the basis of population, but the party looks ahead to the establishment of regional assemblies. Then they would levy income tax regionally and central government would be given the right to levy a precept upon them.

The present rental-based valuation for rating would be replaced by site-value rating, and local authorities would be given powers to introduce local taxes or charges, such as tourist tax, road tolls and local lotteries.

Professional finance officers in local government, backed up by a good deal of research and experience, firmly support the retention of the present rating system—with modifications.

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy says that rates should continue as "a major local source of taxation". But it argues in favour of additional sources of revenue to reduce dependence on government grants and rates, and recommends a local income tax at a rate determined by the top tier local authority, a petrol tax, and the retention of vehicle licence duty revenue.

In their evidence, the Rating and Valuation Association is convinced of the value of the rating system. "As a local property tax, the subjects of taxation (land and buildings) are identified positively with local authority areas. Rates ensure the accountability of local government elected members and are an important factor in local independence."



Villagers from Brockweir, Gloucestershire, in Trafalgar Square for one of the many protests which took place last year against rate increases. Their campaign motto, ROAR, stands for Rightly Outraged About Rates

The association urges a change in valuation from today's obsolescent rental basis to that of capital values—which, apart from anything else, would be understood by the ratepayer rather better.

To meet the major criticism of rating, that some wage earners avoid it, the association suggests a system of tax allowances to domestic ratepayers, linked with a rebate system for those not paying tax. It rejects local income tax and rating on site values as not practicable.

Where are the local authorities in all this? The three main associations, representing the metropolitan areas (AMA), non-metropolitan counties (ACC) and the non-metropolitan districts (ADC), all argued for the retention of the rating system in some form and the supplementing of the rates by variations on a theme of local income tax.

The Association of Metropolitan Authorities acknowledged that the present rating system was "outworn and no longer acceptable to the public". Its main proposal was for up to a fifth of the income from national taxation to be assigned to local government to help the ratepayers. This local element of national taxation (Lent) should form one of three sources of revenue. The others, in roughly equal proportions, should be local rates or local taxation at a level not less than half the present total rate burden; and central government grants negotiated annually.

While the AMA suggested Lent, the Association of County Councils put forward a less euphonious, if equally feasible, acronym "LSIT". This local surcharge on income tax would be paid by every person living in each county paying income tax, the amount to be fixed annually by each county council.

Local income tax recommended

The new tax would relieve pressure on rates and grants and help to maintain them at a progressively lower level. Rates should continue as an independent source of local revenue, and Exchequer grants should also be retained.

The Association of District Councils rather more cautiously recommended a local income tax as a long-term new source of local revenue. The rating system should remain as a principal source of local government finance, but with a wider base to make it more acceptable. In the short-term the association advocated an income tax allowance on the rates.

Local government comes under attack from the Confederation of British Industry for excessive spending. The CBI, therefore, advocates a tighter control of expenditure and a more stringent staff and salary policy.

It recommends that all spending dictated by the Government should be financed by the Exchequer and, by the same token, that spending resulting from local decisions should be financed locally. This, it is believed, would lead to a larger contribution from the Exchequer and a correspondingly reduced burden on the rates.

The Trades Union Congress, too, believes that central government should increase the proportion of its grant to local authorities. To supplement the rates, which it would retain with reservations, the TUC suggests local income tax as a possible answer, with perhaps other new local sources, such as lotteries and tourist taxes.

Defending local government against "hysterical and ill-informed outbursts", the National and Local Government Officers' Association hopes, apart from any proposals that the Layfield Committee will be able to make a rational and objective defence of local government. Nalgo's own proposals centre on the retention of the rating system, made more progressive and equitable.

At present, it points out, the proportion of rates paid in the lowest income range represents 4.9 per cent of income, while in the highest it is only 1.2 per cent.

The ratepayer, heavily put upon by local government profligacy, or unappreciative of the services provided for him, according to different points of view, has been represented to the inquiry by, among others, the National Union of Ratepayers' Associations.

The union wants the existing rating system replaced by a local tax on all residents (not just statutory occupiers) based on income above certain limits. It is not in favour of a larger government grant, but says that "national" services, such as education, should be paid for entirely by the Exchequer, leaving councils to decide for themselves how much they need to raise to meet the cost of truly local services and amenities.

In the mass of evidence, the rates loom large because they were the immediate cause of the outcry which resulted in the setting up of the Layfield Committee. The committee has before it strong evidence to get rid of the present rating system—and equally strong evidence supporting the retention of the system.

It seems clear that, whatever happens, the rates cannot stand alone much longer in the present circumstances as the source of local income. It needs modernizing and supplementing. At the same time, it is difficult to see its disappearance altogether—the rates have too many advantages in terms of local accountability and ease of collection for that.

Doubts on use of lotteries as alternative fund raiser

by Ross Davies

Lotteries, local income tax, site value rating, payroll tax, poll tax, surcharge on national taxation, surcharge on rates for earners who are not householders, transfer of proceeds of corporation tax and value-added tax, revenue from increase in land values, direct charges for services. . . .

All these and more are on the cards as alternatives or supplements to rates and other forms of local government money-raising at present. Few of these ideas are new, but they gained fresh impetus in the 1970s and are being hotly debated this year. Before long we may have some idea of which is likely to be adopted.

The committee of inquiry into local government finance in England and Wales, chaired by Mr Frank Layfield, QC, has been looking into the whole question and has been asked to report by the end of the year.

The committee was set up as a result of an initiative of the 1970-74 Tory Government, which in 1971 published a Green Paper *The Future Shape of Local Government Finance*. This in turn had followed hard on the heels of the proposals for the reorganization of local government, now just about completed.

Since then, however, there have been huge increases in rates up and down the country. Ratepayers' action groups have emerged as a considerable force in both local and national politics. The result has been that the Layfield report is as anxiously awaited by the politicians of Westminster as by ratepayers and local authorities.

There is no way of knowing just what the Layfield Committee will recommend. We do, however, know that a lotteries Bill is making good progress through the Houses of Parliament. This will enable local authorities to run lotteries if they wish. Those which do will then find themselves in strange company as they apply for registration with the Gaming Board.

We also know some of the evidence given to the Layfield Committee. Out of the thousands of words it is possible to get a glimpse of a few favourites, particularly since they seem to crop up in evidence from both the ratepayers and the ratepayers.

The National Union of Ratepayers' Associations, for example, represents about 600 ratepayers' and residents' groups with about 500,000 individual members, a number constantly growing since the recent rate increases.

The union wants rates to be replaced by local income tax and is in favour of lotteries. Rates, it says, are merely a property tax and therefore exclude nearly a third of the 25 million or so people who could be roped in by income tax. Income tax, it points out, is also more closely geared to ability to pay.

If, on the other hand, we turn to the people who administer the rates, we also find a local income tax in favour, although as a supplement rather than as an alternative to rates.

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, to which municipal treasurers and accountants belong, discards all the Green Paper suggestions for additional sources of finance save income tax and a local petrol tax.

The latter, levied at 5p a gallon, would raise about £300m, only a tenth of local authority receipts from rates. The yield from income tax, which would be collected by the Inland Revenue, although set locally, would depend on whether it was a main or supplementary form of finance.

If domestic rates were abolished, the institute argues, about 4½p would have to be added to the standard rate of 35p in the £, while if all rates were to go then the surcharge would have to be 10p.

Although ratepayers, and indeed some local authorities, may fancy a flutter on lotteries, the institute is not so sure. It concedes that this could be a popular way of fund-raising, particularly if the money were earmarked for specific local amenity purposes. And, going on foreign experience, the yield could be big.

But it is this "could be" that bothers the treasurers and the accountants. With local authority revenue expenditure relevant for rate support grant running at about £8,000m a year and likely to keep on rising, whatever happens, institute members would feel unhappy starting out on a year's expenditure and planning without knowing roughly how much is likely to come in.

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Reorganization has brought improvement in mechanics of borrowing



Sir Harry Page

by Sir Harry Page
consultant in public authority finance to Butler Till

The introduction of the new structure in Scotland last month completed United Kingdom local government reorganization, begun as long ago as 1965 with Greater London. These reorganizations, all on the two-tier system, involve many changes among which probably the least recognized is the improvement in the mechanics of borrowing made available to local treasurers.

Local authority borrowing is macro-economics; current debt is not easy to ascertain overall, but it must be in the order of £25,000m, somewhere between the debt of the building societies, and the National Debt (excluding nationalized industries).

A debt of this magnitude, which is constantly being "rolled over", whether overnight or for long periods of years, means unremitting effort by treasurers to develop new markets and to achieve optimum long-term results, a task relying heavily on the use of the well-polished crystal ball (and the advice and service of a good money broker). The size of this debt sometimes appals the newcomer but there are important factors which put it in a proper perspective.

First, about two-thirds of the local authority debt relates to housing and other revenue producing assets. Second, the law imposes two controls on the accumulation of debt. No expenditure—subject to a non-significant margin of discretion—may be incurred out of borrowed money without the specific authorization of a Government department. In addition, as soon as borrowed money is spent, steps must be initiated to set aside annually from revenue the funds necessary to replace this borrowing over the approximate life of the asset.

Third, about half the capital requirements of local authorities are found by the Government through the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB), which also undertakes to stand in as lender of last resort if a local authority ever found difficulty in raising the remainder of its requirements in the market at reasonable cost.

Fourth, a vital feature, not always understood by lenders, is that revenue deficit budgeting by local authorities is taboo; true, a local authority with a cash flow problem may borrow temporarily on revenue account, but the clearing up of this is the first charge on the next year's rate, if indeed the temporary borrowing lags over, which it rarely does. In local, unlike central, government, there is thus a strict line of demarcation between capital and revenue finance.

If we observe, too, the weight of statutory restrictions, orders, regulations and central directives which surround the operation of local authority borrowing, we cannot avoid the conclusion that if in these hard times, any investment is safe, it must be that with local authorities. Any allegations that local authorities are going ahead merrily, spending in opposition to the Government's wishes, is seen to be nonsense.

Yet within this next week of controls, there is opportunity for the local treasurer to exercise his skills and selection of the type and terms of borrowing. The Local Government Act 1972 (applicable in England and Wales, with similar provisions in Scotland and Northern Ireland) extends both the security and the flexibility of local borrowing. These changes, added to other rationalizations which have taken place piecemeal over the past 10 years, offer scope for further simplification of the mechanics of local borrowing, not yet fully exploited.

The security for borrowing is all the revenues of the authority; this now also covers temporary borrowing and bank overdrafts not previously so supported. All forms of borrowing rank equally, so that the different names of local securities do not have the significance applicable to commercial securities of different names. Revenues include government grants; over the country as a whole, twice as much local expenditure is now met from national taxes, through these grants, as is borne by rates.

The extent of government involvement is driven home by the way in which it provides, through the PWLB, half the capital requirement, and is prepared to stand in as lender of last resort for the rest in an emergency (which, in any significant way, has yet to emerge), and in its provision of twice as much of the cash needed to meet local expenditure as comes from the local rate levy.

Can rates then be such a burden after all? This is a separate and tender issue, but the Government's share of the cost, and its "stop-loss" capital provisions, mean that no lender need fear the effect of possible rate strikes.

The developments still to come are those which stem from the final granting since April, 1974, of the same security and equal ranking to all forms of local authority borrowing. The outcome of this is that to begin with, the ordinary non-negotiable (though assignable) forms of security—the temporary loan receipt, the town hall bond, and the local mortgage, are one and the same security; the sooner this is recognized, and all three merged into the bond, the greater the simplicity of the mechanics, and the better everybody's understanding of what is going on.

Many institutional lenders will learn with some surprise that ultra-short money, such as two-day or seven-day funds, and so on, can now properly, and marginally more satisfactorily, be covered by a (non-quoted) bond. Treasurers pay little heed to the statutory provisions which allow the appointment of a receiver on borrowing default by a local authority, because this has never even remotely proved a necessity in the history of local authority borrowing.

But through a quirk, rather than an oversight or draftsman's error, in the 1972 Act, the receivership provisions, fully operative in Scotland and Northern Ireland, do not apply to temporary loans in England and Wales, but do apply to the bond in both its manifestations (and to mortgage and stock). The temporary loan receipt, the bond and the mortgage are otherwise identical except for this minor theoretical point. In any event why retain three separate instruments which are only a source of confusion when one can serve the purpose?

On the negotiable "daily quoted" side, we have a widening of Bill issuing powers by local authorities—heavily hedged with not altogether logical regulations from the Bank of England—the negotiable quoted bond and stock, which together cover the ultra-short, medium and longer term demands for negotiable paper.

Statutorily, local authorities can now borrow abroad in non-sterling currencies, and by bearer instruments, but these provisions have been immediately largely nullified by counter-measures under the Control of Borrowing Order, and otherwise.

The security is excellent, and the mechanics well organized (with even simpler provisions no doubt to come). Treasurers are expert in their business, and the market is highly complicated. Is it unreasonable to wish that the rest of the economic structure was in such good fettle?

Sledgehammer used to crack hard nut

by John Young

Since the Community Land Bill was published last March, it has come under fire from the Government's political opponents, who consider it immoral and confiscatory; from professional institutions which doubt its practicability; from landowners and property companies who predict that it will cause a land supply crisis; and from lawyers who claim that it creates unfortunate legal precedents.

Much of this opposition was foreseeable but, taken together, it amounts to a substantial and powerful line-up. Yet the Government has shown not the slightest intention of compromising. Indeed Mr John Silkin, Minister for Planning and Local Government, the Bill's principal author, gives the impression that he regards it as a crusade to rectify the failure of previous Labour administrations to curb the evil of land speculation.

The first attempt was introduced by Mr Silkin's father under the Town and Country Planning Act 1947, which vested all land development rights in the state and imposed a development charge payable to a central land board. It was repealed by the Conservative Government which took office in 1951.

Activities of speculators

A second attempt was made in the Land Commission Act, 1967, which instigated a 40 per cent betterment levy on capital gains resulting from land development. This, too, was repealed by the subsequent Conservative administration.

Much of the present emotion surrounding the whole question of land profits was aroused by the activities of speculators in the 1960s who capitalized on rapidly rising commercial rents to make huge paper profits from office development. But such people are highly unpopular with the majority of property owners and developers, nor are they really typical. So let us take a simpler case.

Suppose Mr X owns a large suburban detached house set in two acres of grounds. As it stands, the property might be worth, say, £70,000. However, if he gets planning permission, he may then sell it to a builder who decides to knock the house down and build 16 new houses on the site, each selling for £20,000. The builder pays Mr X £140,000 and his own costs amount to a further £110,000. The builder and Mr X each make a profit, subject to taxation, of £70,000, in the first case largely, and in the second exclusively created by the scarcity value of the land.

Significantly, ministers are not questioning the economics of such a transaction—merely its ethics. They are not arguing that inflated land prices are responsible for the high cost of new housing; they would be on dubious grounds if they were to do so, since there is ample evidence to show that house prices largely reflect supply and demand, and the availability of funds from building societies. (It is true that, in the public sector, most local authorities find themselves unable to charge rents which reflect their costs, but that is another issue entirely.)

The Government is not suggesting that houses could or should be cheaper. It is simply saying that profits from the sort of transaction described above should accrue not to the owner of the land and the developer but to the "community".

Most people with an interest in the subject are probably aware of what the Bill sets out to do. Briefly, it imposes upon local authorities the duty to acquire all land which they themselves have earmarked for development. This is the single greatest virtue of the Bill, in that it invests powers to acquire and dispose of land in the hands of those responsible for planning its future use.

The local authorities will be empowered to acquire the land either by agreement or by compulsory purchase, at existing use value. The idea is that they should establish "land banks" to meet several years' expected demand. They will then either use the land themselves for their own projects or release it to private developers at full market value. Where it is to be used for building houses for sale, the freehold will be assigned to the eventual owner-occupiers. In the case of other developments, the councils will normally retain the freehold themselves.

During the transitional period before the scheme takes full effect, local authorities will in theory continue to pay the owners of the land the full market value, but their actual disbursement will be reduced by the amount of development land tax that the owners would otherwise have been obliged to pay. In other words, if an owner sells his house to the council for £60,000, of which £50,000 is considered to be taxable profit, he will, in fact, receive only £20,000. The tax is scheduled to rise from 80 per cent to 100 per cent during the transitional period, which the Government has provisionally set at five years, although it may well turn out to be longer.

It is estimated that the scheme, when finally augmented, will produce a "community" profit of some £500m a year, 60 per cent of which will go to the local authorities and the remaining 40 per cent to the Exchequer. Apart from the fact that the £500m figure appears to have been plucked out of thin air, what are the objections?

The first, and probably the most important, is that it will remove virtually all incentive to owners to sell their land. The result seems certain to be a huge increase in compulsory purchases. Among the more sinister clauses in the Bill are those which state that compulsory purchase orders will no longer have to state the precise purpose for which the land is required, that the Secretary of State will have powers to disregard objections made on the grounds that the acquisition is unnecessary or inexpedient, and that he will no longer be required to hold a public inquiry or hearing into objections.

The lack of incentive to sell on the part of land owners is seen by the construction industry as a future shortage of its basic commodity. As the industry views it, not only will developers and builders be deprived of their legitimate profits, but they will be forced into competition with local authorities for rights to an increasingly scarce resource.

Considerable flexibility

Mr Silkin would argue that the Bill as it stands allows for considerable flexibility and that it will not be necessary to force land-owners to sell at the point of a metaphorical gun. But, more to the point, will the proposed system work and will the "community" really benefit from the allegedly huge profits now accruing to private financiers?

The signs are not encouraging. As has been pointed out frequently, councils simply do not have the manpower to assume the mantle which is to be imposed upon them; there is no source from which the necessary surveying and valuing staff can be drawn. Moreover it should be fairly obvious that many councils will not have the political will to exert their new role. In the past the initiative has come from would-be developers requesting planning permission. As the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors pointed out in a comment on the White Paper which preceded the Bill, "one of the most valuable aspects of the system hitherto has been the vigilance of the entrepreneur over development opportunities and his vigour in pursuing them. Under the system envisaged the initiative would be lost".

The impetus should, in the Government's view, come from the substantial gains accruing to councils from buying and selling land. But the proposed system is heavily bureaucratic, involving complicated transactions between local authorities and the Treasury. It is this aspect which has upset both the County Councils Association and the Association of District Councils, which would prefer to see the entire profit retained by local authorities in return for a reduction in Exchequer subsidies.

A final question mark must hang over the initial cost of establishing land banks, a subject which Mr Silkin and his colleagues have, under questioning, seemed deliberately to avoid. Whatever the subsequent profits, there is certain to be a time-lag between the acquisition of land and its disposal. Some estimates have put the initial borrowing requirement as high as £1,500m, which amounts to about one-sixth of the 1974-75 government budget deficit and can hardly come as good news to councils already up to their ears in debt and penal short-term interest charges.

On the face of it, there seems little reason for going the whole hog. The proposed interim arrangement could quite reasonably be extended indefinitely, with rates of taxation which could be varied to meet economic circumstances and to control the supply of land coming onto the market. The councils would, it is true, not gain any immediate benefit, but they could justifiably press for the revenue from taxation to be allotted specifically to increased housing grants and subsidies, and at the same time they would be freed from any additional costs or duties.

As Mr Alan Maynard, lecturer in economics at York University, told a recent seminar organized by the Institute for Fiscal Studies, "there is no need to bring real property into public ownership, only to tax it at an appropriate rate". As it is, Mr Silkin and his colleagues seem to be using a sledgehammer to crack an admittedly hard and resistant nut.

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THE HEROES AND THE IDEALS

one wanted to look at the inders of the referendum bate, it would not be difficult find absurdities. Both sides ve used arguments which can rdly be excused even by the citement of the moment. But th sides have also developed guments of a serious historic character and it is no doubt those storic arguments which will ay in the mind when the details the debate have been rgotten.

There is no doubt who have been the heroes of the debate. n the "No" side Mr Enoch owell has argued in a most skil- l and sympathetic way, putting is arguments, particularly on elevision, with a combined larity and courtesy which eminded one of the traditional tandards of English politics. er on that side it has been Mr ony Benn who has been the eader of the debate, even if like a batsman with a weakness n the offside Mr Benn is liable o be caught off his statistics. Whatever the result of the refer- ndum, his is a significant politi- al achievement. He was the uthor of the referendum itself nd for much of the time he has managed to make his arguments the central arguments in the debate. He has established him- self as the major leader of the Left in a way which no one has done since Aneurin Bevan; apart from a foolish and misjudged attack on Mr Heath, he has done it without resort to personalities.

On the "Yes" side there have also been two leading figures. Mr Roy Jenkins is the most eloquent of our politicians. He writes and speaks better English even than Mr Enoch Powell; Mr Powell's arguments are constructed as a series of defined logical propo- sitions, while Mr Jenkins's argu- ments are shaped in English prose of which it is the vital quality that it should be fluent. Where therefore Mr Powell builds a lattice of girders—like Meccano—Mr Jenkins grows arguments—like beanstalks—and in this debate his easy language was charged with a new emo- tional force.

Statesman

Yet the other hero of the debate was not Mr. Jenkins any more than it was Mr Powell. The Achilles of the European cause was Mr Heath. He throughout used the simple, central argu- ments which go to the heart of political discussion. He spoke with a freedom which he did not show when he had the responsi- bilities of a Prime Minister or a Party Leader, as a man can speak who has nothing on his mind except to express his own convictions about important matters. The quality, particularly the simplicity and seriousness, of Mr Heath's contribution to the referendum debate showed him to be his country's leading states- man, more clearly now than in the height of power.

The essential difficulty of the "No" case was not that it had inadequate idealism, but that it was supported by two ideals both worthy of respect in themselves, but not compatible with each other. One of them was perhaps put most tersely by Sir Arthur Bryant in a letter to *The Times*. He said that the issue was "whether the British people of the future are to retain the age long right through Parliament and parliamentary elections to decide their destiny". This argument is based on a tradi- tional, constitutional and parlia- mentary idealism and on a British patriotism.

It appeals strongly to people of conservative temperament but also to people like Mr Paul John- son on the Left whose mode of thought is historic. One reason for not accepting it would not be a lack of sympathy with the underlying ideal, but a feeling that this form of patriotism is no more endangered by member- ship of the European Com- munity than is the comparable French patriotism. A more important reason is summed up in the last words of Edith Cavell: "I realize that patriotism is not enough."

Challenge

The other ideal is that of socialism. Membership of the European Community is an obstacle to the ambitions not of democratic socialists, not of those who would like to see Britain develop the character of Swedish socialism, but of Left Wing socialists who see great value in the social systems that have been established in Com- munist countries. Mr Benn does not represent this in its extreme form but his analysis was a populist one in which he repre- sented the British people as an oppressed class anxious to throw off over-powerful masters. Be- cause we believe it is incompat- ible with exactly those freedoms which Sir Arthur Bryant cherishes, we would reject this type of socialism outright. Never- theless, it is a powerful, his- torical cause and a challenge to our open society.

What on the other side was the idealism put forward by those who want to say yes? It was perhaps best put in Mr Heath's speech to the Oxford Union; he argued that the deve- lopment of the nation state had reached a point in the first half of this century in which these states in their exclusiveness had become a threat to the wel- fare of mankind, that the divi- sion of Europe into such states had led to two great European civil wars, that the European Community was the best way to ensure that the common eco- nomy and common civilization of Western Europe would over-ride these dangerous conflicts between European powers.

In the best European speeches there was also throughout a sense of European development as an ideal. Britain is a Euro- pean power as a matter of geo- graphy, not of choice, but Britain does have a choice between join- ing in the work of making the European community prosperous and effective, or standing aside and trying to achieve these aims purely for the United Kingdom. We can either join in the general work of building a strong and generous Europe, or we can try to build a strong Britain on our own.

There was also of course a practical as well as an idealist debate. This was indeed the debate which the Prime Minister himself conducted. The question he put was whether the United Kingdom could better advance her prosperity on her own or as a member of the Community, and he was able to make the case quite convincingly that Britain would be better able to look after her prosperity as a member of the Community and should, therefore, make the European choice on the simplest grounds of self interest. Mr Wilson throughout professed not to be moved by a European idea, but to be looking at such matters as jobs and prices for Britain; in taking this line he may have done his best for the "Yes" vote by somewhat understating his own sense of vision.

European idealism puts a more fundamental and a more in- teresting question than that. It invites us to accept and to deve- lop a loyalty to our Continent as well as to our island and invites us to see our self interest as involving the collective interest of a group of nations working together for purposes of European development. There is also in it the belief that the history of Europe is the story of a single human civilization in which we are all citizens. There is the belief, which must seem odd to a Chinaman, that the European civilization is the finest the world has known, and the most liberating for mankind. There is further the belief that European unity, however gradu- ally approached, is the right aim for the present stage of that civilization.

Great value

None of the three ideals expressed in the debate is unimportant. We believe that the first ideal, that of parliamentary patriotism, despite its historic significance, is indeed not enough, that it contains a great value but not a value which will survive if preserved in isolation. We reject the ideal of socialism not because it is unimportant but because it is both strong and wrong, and necessarily involves a stunting of human nature. We accept the ideal of Europe because it involves an outgoing of will towards nations who belong to the same European family as the four nations of the United Kingdom. It is through Europe that Britain will gain most and serve best; in 1975 Britain is as much in need of an opportunity for service, for purpose, as for any opportunity of gain. If there has been a disappointment in the referen- dum debate, it is that it has con- centrated too much on what Europe can do for us, and too little on what we can do for Europe.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Moral implication of today's vote

From Lord Greenwood of Rossendale

Sir, When the result of the refer- endum is known it is imperative that we should accept the moral duties that the decision (whether Yes or No) imposes on us all. If we are committed to the Commu- nity there must be no equivocation or holding back about the part we play, either in its totality or in its component parts—subject always to the closest parliamentary scrutiny in both Houses of the policy we advocate or support as a nation.

If, on the other hand, we decide to leave the Community that deci- sion, too, must be accepted by us all. There must be no sulking, no withdrawals from public life. Our position is too grave, in or out of the Community, for any of us to indulge our personal pre- judices or cosset our *amour propre* at the expense of our public responsibilities.

It is urgent that the wounds in- flicted by the controversy of the past few weeks, at times deep, and too often highly personalized, must be bound and healed as quickly as possible. No party, in the present circumstances, can afford to lose any of the talented men and women available to it.

There must therefore be no re- criminations and no reprisals at national or local level. They would inflict new damage on parties al- ready subjected to almost intoler- able strains. And that would be a disservice both to democracy and to national survival.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
ANTHONY GREENWOOD,
House of Lords.
June 4.

From Sir Frederick Catherwood

Sir, I agree with much of the letter in which Lord Bruce quotes me as saying that we need massive new industrial investment. But he assumes, quite wrongly, that secure membership of the Community— which we have not had this side of the referendum—will accelerate the movement of British capital to the continent and discourage invest- ment in Britain itself.

On the contrary, the final removal of the Community external tariff, which averages about 8 per cent, changes completely the economics of investment in Britain. A tariff of 8 per cent creams off four-fifths of a 10 per cent profit margin and anyone wanting to invest for the continental market must invest on the continent behind the tariff barrier. Once the tariff has gone for good we can invest in Britain itself for the far larger and much more buoyant continental markets.

Only the revenue from these mar- kets can pay for the investment on the scale we need. If we stay out we can only pay for it by a massive cutback in public and private con- sumption and it is hard to see how that would be engineered. That is why British managers, who have the same stake in Britain as any other workers, are so enthusiastic about our continued membership, why we believe it will increase both employ- ment and incomes.

Yours faithfully,
FRED CATHERWOOD,
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Management House,
Parker Street, WC2.

From Mrs Margaret Barclay-Lloyd

Sir, Shortly after Independence the Republic of Zambia held a referen- dum to end all referenda.

May I suggest this as the theme of our second referendum?

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET BARCLAY-LLOYD,
2 Netherhall Gardens, NW3.
June 2.

From Mr Basil Boothroyd

Sir,
Since rival propagandists shout
With equal force and din,
One moment I'm for pulling OUT,
The next for staying IN.
Thus reason wavers on her throne,
Craving a straw to clutch,
While one thing's certain, one alone,
They both protest too much.
So much, in fact, that screams for YES
May win my vote of NO.
(Or vice versa. It's a mess.
Damn it, I still Don't Know.)
Yours etc.,
BASIL BOOTHROYD,
Green Ridges,
Cuckfield Nr Haywards Heath,
Sussex.
May 31.

Cooperation after the referendum

From Sir Nigel Fisher, Conservative MP for Kingston upon Thames, Surbiton

Sir, May I be allowed to support the initiative taken by Mr Reginald Prentice and your own leading article of June 2 in calling for all- party co-operation and a spirit of national unity in order to resolve the critical problems confronting our country?

This need not take the form of a coalition government and, at any rate in the immediate future, is unlikely to do so. But it seems probable that, once the referendum is over (hopefully with a massive "yes" result), further loans from abroad will only be forthcoming provided we make a genuine and determined effort to put our own house in order and reduce our self- generated level of inflation.

The conditions for such continued assistance would presumably be unacceptable to the left wing of the Labour Party and, in order to save the nation from catastrophic col- lapse, the social democrats in the Government might then be obliged to seek the help of the Conserva- tive and Liberal Parties to pass the necessary legislation through Par- liament.

In the national interest we should respond to any such approach, as part of a "package" which should also include the abandonment of any further expensive measures of nationalization and municipalization irrelevant to the problems which now beset us.

In the meantime, it would be help- ful if the unedifying partisan (and often personalised) recriminations, so prevalent in recent years and so distasteful to the public, could be modified.

In the longer term, the reform of our electoral system by the in- troduction of a form of proportional representation may well be neces- sary in order to prevent the total socialization of Britain through Marxist policies which are ana- thema to the moderate-minded majority of the British people and which could well threaten the preservation of our whole system of parliamentary democracy.

Yours faithfully,
NIGEL FISHER,
House of Commons.
June 3.

From Mr Christopher Mayhew

Sir, You state in today's leader —"If a coalition is to be formed, it will be under the pressure of events, and not by the deliberate calculation of politicians". This comes dangerously close to saying that the pressure of events can produce a coalition spontaneously, without deliberate preparation and planning by pro-coalition politi- cians. This is almost certainly untrue.

The Labour moderates hold the key. If some of them decide to back a centre "European" coali- tion we shall get one: if they don't, we shan't.

No one should doubt that many of them, despite their necessary denials, would vastly prefer a new alliance with fellow-Marketeers on their right to their old alliance with anti-Marketeers on their left. But their position is extremely diffi- cult. By failing to unite and assert themselves in time, they have lost control of the party machine, and this means that if they break with the left they will face official Labour opponents at the next election. (Even if their constituency parties stand by them, they will surely be barred as candidates by the National Executive Committee.) And under our anomalous electoral system this means that even if, as is likely, they are the most widely- supported of the candidates, almost all of them will lose their seats. This naturally seems to them, especially if they are young and impecunious, a very big personal sacrifice for a doubtful public gain.

So plans for a coalition only be- come realistic when they hold out to would-be Labour coalitionists a good prospect of being returned at the next election. This means a definite promise in advance from Tories and Liberals either of a clear run against their leftist opponents, or—much better—of early electoral reform. The simp- lest calculations show that any kind of electoral reform will vir- tually ensure the reelection of Labour MPs who support a centre coalition. Electoral reform is needed on wider grounds, but this would be a very valuable side- effect.

It is no use talking about a co- alition and then sitting back and waiting hopefully for Labour moderates to jump. In theory, no doubt, they ought to take the plunge without a lifeline: but they won't, not enough of them anyhow. A coalition will only come about if those who want it work for it.

Yours etc,
CHRISTOPHER MAYHEW,
39 Wool Road,
Wimbledon, SW20.
June 2.

Mr Stonehouse's option

From Mr George Strauss, Labour MP for Vauxhall

Sir, You suggested yesterday that the Select Committee's deadline for Mr Stonehouse should be extended. In fact the committee has never made such a deadline. Nor has it based its expulsion proposal on non- attendance at the House. Indeed, in its first report it specifically rejected that as a valid argument in this case.

Its recommendation is based mainly on the grounds that "they consider it irreconcilable with membership of the House for a Member of Parliament, when charged with serious criminal offences, not to submit himself to the processes of justice established by Parliament".

The idea of a deadline presum- ably arises from the committee's recommendation that the expulsion motion "should not be moved earlier than one month after the publication of the report, in order to give Mr Stonehouse the oppor- tunity to attend the House or to resign". That was on April 29.

It is obviously a misreading of the situation to regard this option for Mr Stonehouse, as stated in your leading article, as a request that before June 6 he should "come before the House and, in effect, show why his continued absence should not result in his expulsion".

I write this as I am anxious, as chairman of the Select Committee, that its report should not be mis- interpreted.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE STRAUSS,
House of Commons.
June 4.

Education statistics

From Mr K. G. Forecast

Sir, It is a precept among public speakers that statistics are a weight on oratory; and clearly they can be a burden on leader writing too. Your second leader last Friday con- tained an interesting illustration.

In discussing the numbers that might be employed in education services by 1981, you omitted to warn readers that the researchers who had compiled the estimates published in the May issue of the Department of Employment Gazette had stressed that "their work was done before the latest changes in plans for public expenditure". Their projections showing such rela- tively high rates of growth for edu- cation were in fact based on the estimates of public expenditure pub- lished at the end of 1973 in Cmnd 5519. Since then these growth rates have substantially altered, re- flecting in part a series of general reductions in public expenditure and in part the effect of downward revisions in demographic and other forecasts on the different parts of the education system.

But confusion was worse con- founded when, in your own arith- metic, you repeatedly failed to com- pare like with like in an attempt to account for the estimated growth in education manpower to 1981. For instance, the projected figure of 480,000-490,000 teachers for 1981 which you quote (but omit to state relates to only England and Wales) is an estimate of full-time equiva- lent teachers in maintained primary and secondary schools (counting part-time teachers in terms of their full-time equivalent service).

The corresponding figure for 1971 was about 365,000 (not 450,000) im- plying a projected increase between 1971 and 1981 of about 120,000 rather than the 40,000 you quote. Not only that: all the figures in the Department of Employment Gazette article related to Great Britain not just England and Wales, and being "on the basis used in the Census of Population" made no distinction between full-time and part-time employment.

They also included employment in the private sector of education as well as teachers, administrators and ancillary workers in the public sector. These differences alone— in the coverage of the figures and in the treatment of the very large number of part-time employees— make nonsense of your leader writer's attempt to "analyse" the projected growth by a process of deduction.

Statistics drawn from different sources need to be combined very carefully or the mixture can explode in your face. Or to adapt your leader writer's own valediction: If this is an example of a leader stay his hand".

Yours faithfully,
K. G. FORECAST,
Director of Statistics,
Department of Education and Science,
Elizabeth House,
York Road, SE1.
June 3.

Britons in Cyprus

From Mr John Weston

Sir, In the parliamentary report appearing in your issue of May 22, the Foreign Secretary is quoted as saying, in reply to a question by Mr Rees-Davies about British resi- dents in Cyprus, that he would wel- come an all-party delegation going to look into conditions in the island but that he did not have any funds to send them. Is not this a surprising revelation in view of our responsi- bilities under the 1960 Treaty of Guarantee (Cmnd 1253)?

Nevertheless, in answer to a fur- ther question about the supply of arms to Turkey, Mr Callaghan is reported to have stated that if there was any prospect of Turkey repeat- ing the invasion of last year, clearly Government would need to consider the situation afresh.

Obviously, Turkey will not repeat the invasion since, despite the UNO resolution of November 1, 1974, her troops are still there, preventing not only British residents but also tens of thousands of Cypriot refugees from returning to their homes in the republic. Is one to assume, there- fore, that it will be unnecessary to consider the situation afresh?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN WESTON,
Redbraes,
Marchmont,
Greenlaw,
Berwickshire.
May 23.

From Dr A. F. Marsh

Sir, I have been amazed that Parliament has recently found the time to discuss the fate of British residents of Cyprus, most of whom have, like me, successfully avoided paying British taxes for several years. MPs should be directing their energies to improving the desperate state of British residents of the United Kingdom, who pay their salaries.

Yours faithfully,
A. F. MARSH,
Sarawak Shell,
Lutong,
Sarawak,
Malaysia.

The Koh-i-Noor diamond

From Mr K. Citroen

Sir, The Koh-i-Noor (*Times*, May 15, p22) never left England. It was re- cut, on Messrs Garrards' premises in Panton Street, by my great- grandfather Mr J. A. Fedder and his confrère Mr Voorzanger, who came over from Holland for the purpose. The first facet was polished, with some ceremony, by the Duke of Wellington, who died a few days later, no connection between the two events having been established so far.

Yours sincerely,
KAREL CITROEN,
De Industrieele Club,
Amsterdam.

Political speeches

From Mr John Egan

Sir, Twice in recent days substan- tial parts of speeches due to be made by prominent politicians have been published in detail in advance by certain newspapers, and broad- casting organizations.

Is this the beginning of the end of a system which allows speakers to circulate their words with an embargo on publication until a specific hour on a specific day?

Or should editors, including your- self, now put their heads together to clear up the uncertainty which the breaching of embargoes must create among rival journalists—and among the many in public life, commerce, and scholarship who make use of such arrangements?

Yours etc,
JOHN EGAN,
Press Gallery,
House of Commons.
June 4.

God and the Devil

From the Reverend B. L. Hebblethwaite

Sir, Mr Davis (May 30) under- mines his own acknowledgment of the difference between belief in God and belief in the Devil by claiming that both beliefs rest on similar grounds. In fact reason operates very differently in the two cases. The case for God is rational and intelligible, thus supporting the evidence of experience, scripture and tradition. Belief in created, fallen, non-human, irredeemable spirits, however, is both rationally and morally incoherent, when divorced from its "pre-scientific" role of the causal explanation of disease: thus one looks for alter- native accounts of the presence of such beliefs in the history of religions.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN HEBBLETHWAITE,
Queen's College, Cambridge.
May 30.

From Dr J. E. Pinnington

Sir, Mr Cupitt must seem a little disingenuous to a sizable section of the theologically literate who have no desire to belittle his personal integrity; for his distinction between "prolonging" "Jesus' teaching and practice" and "crea- tively re-interpreting" it, while theoretically defensible and indeed mandatory, could still cover up what many fear as a creeping sell-out which is infecting a wide spectrum of scholars even in that most con- servative of churches, the Roman.

Those of us who have this fear (and we are by no means illiberal) wish to affirm most strongly that our understanding of Jesus is not limited to the historical record of his ministry but is rooted in the resurrection-life of the risen Christ in his Church; but we would regard as specious individualistic attempts, under cover of this, to accommo- date this or that current philoso- phical language by effectively dis- carding any vital element in the analogy of faith.

This whole argument is being conducted altogether in too many separate pieces, without regard to that analogy of faith, which those of us who belong to the Orthodox Church mean by "tradition". Those elements in Jesus' ministry concerning the demonic may demand "translation", even "trans- valuation" in the light of the Resurrection; but that is precisely what they received in the Tradition of the Church, long before Mr Cupitt and his learned colleagues felt it necessary to demand a total ban on the practice of exorcism.

Furthermore, it should be noted that while the understanding of those teachings in Judaism endorsed by Jesus in his ministry evolved gradually in the spiritual experi- ence of the early Church, the signa- tories of the open letter are demand- ing instant doctrinal revision. It is all of a piece with an age which has reform with its instant political and social change.

Yours sincerely,
J. E. PINNINGTON,
16 Shirley Park Road,
Shirley,
Croydon.
June 2.

Independent schools

From the Reverend A. Kingsley Lloyd and Mr L. J. Campbell

Sir, Mr Prentice, Education Secre- tary, is reported as saying in an article in *Labour Councillor* that, in future, independent schools would cater "exclusively for the very rich, rather than simply the rich and for that reason will become less important in the educational and social fabric of the country".

Mr Prentice should know better than that. In the first place, public schools are not all alike. It is one of the very important features of the Headmasters' Conference that within its membership it gathers a wide variety of headmasters and schools. Many independent schools, like Kingswood, have never set out to cater primarily for the rich and have no intention of finding their future pupils only from the homes of the very wealthy.

In this school 47 per cent of children come within the category of "boarding need" as defined by the Newsom Report of 1963. Many public schools are far ahead of local education authorities in making pro- vision for this kind of need. A part- nership between the state and the independent sector is surely desir- able here.

In the second place it is by the sacrifice and commitment of parents —with the combined earnings of both husband and wife—that many children are in Kingswood. They have chosen this not out of a nega- tive attitude to comprehensive schools but because they believe that freedom of choice is an essen- tial part of the educational, social and religious fabric of the country.

One of the main bulwarks against political indoctrination—from the extreme right or left—is a strong body of independent schools with a clear sense of Christian values and community life. To say that this is also the aim of a good com- prehensive school merely emphasi- zes the part that independent edu- cation can play in the life of the nation.

Yours faithfully,
A. KINGSLEY LLOYD, Chairman of Governors,
L. J. CAMPBELL, Headmaster,
Kingswood School,
Bath.
May 23.

A rabbit in Park Lane

From Lady Bridges

Sir, There is a small roundabout at the south end of Park Lane called Achilles Way, round which traffic swirls continuously, on its way to or escaping from the greater horror of Hyde Park Corner itself. One evening last week I saw a rabbit unconcernedly munching the succu- lent grass left uncut where the daffodils were dying off. Poor foolish bunny, one hopes he made safely home again into the park.

Yours faithfully,
RACHEL BRIDGES,
Flat 5, 15 Draycott Place, S.W.3.
May 28.

Music of the ancients

From Professor David Martin

Sir, Bernard Levin's question "Whatever happened to music?" is a genuine one, but mis-stated.

First, most of the citations on his list, excluding the collective and anonymous achievements, cover not thousands of years but two periods of about half a millennium each, add on maybe another half for the earliest Old Testament authors. If he can include anonymous or col- lective art then plainsong and Byzantine hymnody span the whole period between (say) 300 and 1200 and represent major musical achievements.

Second, he cannot get away with bracketing composers before Monte- verdi as archaeology. Of course, the primary achievements were for the voice (chanson, madrigal, motet or mass) but there is a major art music from 1200 to 1600 of pro- found range, expressiveness and technical complexity. Josquin is one of the greatest names in all music; similarly Dufay, Lassus, Byrd and Palestrina. What more splendid explorations of sound than Tallis's "Lamentations", Josquin's "Pange Lingua", Lassus' "Peni- tential Psalms", Byrd's five part Mass?

The real question for Bernard Levin relates to the fact that there is no musical equivalent of Romanesque and that the crucial take-off of instrumental develop- ment waits till the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. I think it important that sound has been pecu- liarly exposed to historical discon- tinuity as compared with stone or the written word because it is oral. Music requires constant re-creation in order to exist as music. The interpretive principles governing performance, and traditions of access to different musical lan- guages are very fragile.

What is interesting is the local nature of taste. Monteverdi him- self has only really re-surfaced in the last two decades and Cavalli even more recently. Just how local taste remains can be dramatically illustrated from the way that par- ticipants on "Face the Music" are stymied by all but the most obvious examples of compositions prior to 1770. Offer them such major masterpieces as "Hercules" or "Theodora" and they would be as surprised by the answer as by the question. Bernard Levin still buries his head in the pillow for shame as he remembers that nobody recog- nized the Vespers, even stimulated by an M and a picture of St Marks. Nevertheless I think that given time we can even anticipate a brilliant column given over to Josquin as well as to Wagner and the Art of Fugue.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID MARTIN,
London School of Economics,
Department of Sociology,
Houghton Street, WC2.
May 28.

The BBC and me

From Mr A. J. P. Taylor

Sir, Mr Shaw of the BBC (May 30) should pursue his researches further. On the first occasion I mentioned my producer showed me the instruction he had received not to use me again on foreign affairs. The remarks by the Lord Presi- dent (sorry, not the Home Secre- tary) which preceded this instruction can be found in *Parl. Deb.* 431, 1285. Mr Shaw might also unearth my banned talk to Canada at the time of the Korean war, which ended: "Appeasement is the noblest word in the diplo- mat's vocabulary."

Before that talk I had been giv- ing a survey of foreign affairs to Canada every week. After it I never spoke to Canada again. On a wider field the BBC's political subservi- ence in regard to the television programme *In the News* was a major factor in the creation of independent television. Sir George Barnes, head of BBC television, said: "Without *In the News*, there would have been no independent television".

A. J. P. TAYLOR,
London.

Student grants

From Mr J. R. G. Wright

Sir, It has recently been announced that the full student grant for 1975-76 will be £740. I think it important that attention should be drawn to the cynicism which this decision by Her Majesty's Govern- ment displays.

Universities are required to break even in running their halls by the University Grants Committee, which in this matter cannot escape being seen as implementing the wishes of the Government. Calculations in Edinburgh show that in 1975-76 the charges required to achieve this imply a need for a full grant of about £860. This figure is supported by information coming from many other universities. These facts have repeatedly been drawn to the attention of the Secretary of State for Education and Science by many groups and individuals. They have been carefully and deliberately ignored.

Thus, on the one hand the UGC says we must cover our costs, on the other the Government gives students a grant which means that they cannot afford to pay economic charges. The result in many places is liable to be the venting of justifiable anger and frustration by students against the only target within reach, those who run univer- sities. The ensuing disruption in some places will further damage the reputation of the universities and their students, thus retrospec- tively justifying in the eyes of the public the Government's present parsimony and strengthening its hand for future anti-university action.

In some other institutions of further education whose funds come direct from government sources rather than through a body such as the UGC arrangements are in force which provide a substantial direct subsidy to residential fees from public funds. This not only treats their students more favourably than university students but indicates a tacit acceptance that the grant is inadequate to meet full economic costs.

You have, sir, recently criticized in your leader columns groups who prefer force to reasoned argument in the pursuance of their claims. It is worth asking where the blame for such attitudes lies. When an abund- ance of reasoned argument is rejected not only deliberately but in a manner which can at best be described as two-faced it is easy to understand the frustration generated.

This latest decision cannot avoid being interpreted as a further calculated attack upon the univer- sities following the severe cuts in capital and recurrent expenditure and the holding down of staff salaries. A whole generation of our most creative and talented young people are being assiduously taught that unless you carry a big stick and are prepared to use it you count for nothing in the world. Mr Prentice and his colleagues are sowing the wind: it is, alas, others who will have to reap where they have sown.

Yours faithfully,
JAMES R. G. WRIGHT,
Senior Warden,
Pollock Halls of Residence,
University of Edinburgh,
18 Holyrood Park Road,
Edinburgh.
May 29.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 4: The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, The Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Alexandra, the Hon Mrs Angus Ogilvy and the Hon Angus Ogilvy, honoured Epsom Races with Her presence today.

The Ladies and Gentlemen of the Households in Waiting were in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as President, this morning at Buckingham Palace presented the British Amateur Athletic Board's Trophies for 1974.

By command of The Queen, the Earl of Westmorland (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon upon the arrival of The Head of the Federal Military Government, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and Mrs Gowon and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 4: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Colonel-in-Chief The Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment) today visited the 1st Battalion at Redford Barracks, Edinburgh.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Hon Mrs Wills and The Lord Napier and Ettrick.

YORK HOUSE
June 4: The Duke of Kent, as President, today visited stations of the Royal National Life-Boat Institution in Norfolk.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN.

The Duchess of Kent, as Chancellor, will preside at congregations for the conferment of degrees at Leeds University on July 17 and 18.

A memorial service for Mr Tony Essex will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 1975, at Leeds Parish Church at 12.30 pm.

Birthdays today

Sir Kenneth Anderson, 69; Mr Justice Chapman, 68; Sir John Craster, 74; Professor Dennis Gabor, 75; Sir John L. Gilmour, 76; Sir Gerald Glover, 67; Professor Christopher Hawkes, 70; Dr T. C. Hunt, 74; Sir Robert Mayer, 96; Miss Margaret Rawlings, 69; Lord Thomson of Fleet, 81; Sir Arthur Vick, 64.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Air Marshal Michael Beetham, aged 52, to be Deputy Commander in Chief, Strike Command, from June 7.

Mr J. S. Morrison, President of Wolfson College, Cambridge, to be a trustee of the National Maritime Museum in succession to Professor R. Davis.

Mr J. G. Raitt to join the Schools Council as a joint secretary on September 1.

Mr Marius Goring and Miss Margaret Rawlings to be vice-presidents of British Actors' Equity Association.

Lord Elgin to be president of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council in Scotland.

The Press Council has appointed as lay members Canon W. J. Westwood, Bishop Suffragan-elect of Edmonton, and Dr A. C. Copisarow, a scientist and engineer, to succeed the Rev Michael Hollings and Mr A. Glen.

Mr Kingsley Williams to be chairman of the Wessex Regional Health Authority in succession to Colonel Sir Joseph Weld.

Today's engagements

The Queen reviews In-Pensioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, 3.05.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as Grand president, attends council meeting of the British Commonwealth Ex-Service League, Marlborough House, 3.25. As President of the Royal Society of Arts and President of the United Kingdom Council of European Architectural Heritage Year, attends dinner at Royal Society of Arts, John Adam Street, 7.45.

Princess Margaret visits North Yorkshire, 11.30.

Exhibition: *Chichester 10*, portraits of the Festival Theatre artistes by Zsuzsi Roboz, Arts Council Shop, 28 Sackville Street, Piccadilly, 10-6.

Special gallery talk: Romanesque Art, by Madeleine Mainstone, Victoria and Albert Museum, 2.30.

Beating Retreat by the Mounted Bands of the Household Division, Horse Guards Parade, 6.

Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mr A. G. Beynon, President; Professor D. L. Hughes, Senior Vice-President; and Professor L. G. Vaughan, Treasurer. Honorary associateship of the Royal College has been conferred on Lord Leverhulme.

The appointment of Miss Olga Uvarov Junior Vice-President was announced in later editions of "The Times" yesterday.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C. J. Purvis and Miss C. J. Dewhurst
The engagement is announced between Charles James Purvis, son of Mr and Mrs C. J. M. Purvis, of Forton, Lancashire, and Caroline Jane Dewhurst, younger daughter of his Honour Judge Dewhurst and Mrs Norah Dewhurst, of Lancashire.

Mr M. E. Bailey and Miss A. D. Cox
The engagement is announced between Michael Edward, son of Mr and Mrs Edward B. Bailey, of 16 Broad Street, Alresford, Hampshire, and Alison Deirdre, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Victor W. G. Cox, of Great Bruckhamhurst, Betchworth, Surrey.

Mr J. A. Day and Miss S. Machon
An engagement is announced between John Anthony Day, only son of the late Mr A. F. Day and Mrs Day, of The Orchard, Chipstead, and Sarah, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F. J. Machon, of Canrelupe Road, Hastingfield, Cambridgeshire.

M G. Lacroix and Miss O.-J. Schapira
The engagement is announced between Guy, younger son of M and Mme G. Lacroix, of Vittel, France, and Olivia-Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Schapira, of Chislehurst, Kent.

Mr A. P. Morris and Miss J. M. Foley
The engagement was announced between Anthony Morris and Jennifer Foley last Friday on the Rialto.

Mr A. H. Rambaut and Miss M. E. Sampson
The engagement is announced between Anthony Howard, second son of Mr and Mrs P. M. Rambaut, of Bosley, and Mary Emily, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Sampson, of Cape Town.

Mr J. H. Stanning and Miss G. F. B. Seagrim
The engagement is announced between John, son of Captain and Mrs G. H. Stanning, of Marlborough, Wiltshire, and Gay, younger daughter of the late Captain C. B. C. Seagrim and of Mrs D. Seagrim, of Lavant, Sussex.

Mr E. D. Stow and Miss Z. Lowrison
The engagement is announced between Edward David, second son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Stow, Shiplake, Henley-on-Thames, and Zoe, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs George Lowrison, of 4 Cranbourne Road, Bradford, West Yorkshire.

Dr J. E. G. Walker and Miss G. Navidi
The engagement is announced between John Edward Graham, son of Mr and Mrs S. E. Walker, of Leicester, and Guilda, younger daughter of M and Mme A. Navidi, of Mauritius Island.

Dr G. J. Webb-Wilson and Miss S. J. Wilson
The engagement is announced between Gavin John, elder son of Mrs B. M. Webb-Wilson, of Burghley Road, Wimbledon, SW19, and Mr L. B. Webb-Wilson, of Queensgate Terrace, SW7, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Tom Wilson, of Fenstanton, Huntingdon. The marriage will take place on June 28.

Marriages

Mr G. V. Cooper and Miss A. E. A. Evill
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 31, at St Arvans Parish Church of Mr Graham Cooper, son of Mr and Mrs Vivian Cooper, of Railway House, Creetown, and Miss Alison Evill, daughter of the late Brigadier T. H. Evill and Mrs Evill, of Mulberry House, St Arvans.

Mr G. P. Francis and Miss S. C. Mason
The marriage took place yesterday at St Peter's, Eaton Square, of Mr George Pipon Francis, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Francis, of Colehank, Ivy Hatch, Kent, and Miss Sarah Caroline Mason, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Mason, of 33 Pembroke Square, W8. The bride was attended by her niece, Miss Rebecca Mason, and Mr Michael Del Mar was best man.

A reception was held at the Berkeley Hotel.

Mr P. D. Radcliffe and Mrs N. W. Cousins
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 24, in Chicago, of Mr Patrick David Radcliffe and Mrs Nicola Wendy Cousins, daughter of the late Captain Charles Reginald Cook and Mrs Duncan Ramsay, of St Martin, Guernsey.

Dr W. Stewart and Miss G. Ridgway
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 24, 1975, very quietly in Norwich between Dr Walter Stewart, 59 Burgh Road, Aylsham, Norwich, and Miss Elizabeth Geraldine Ridgway.

Church news

The Bishop of Edinburgh, Dr Kenneth Carey, who is 67, is to retire in September for health reasons.

Latest appointments:

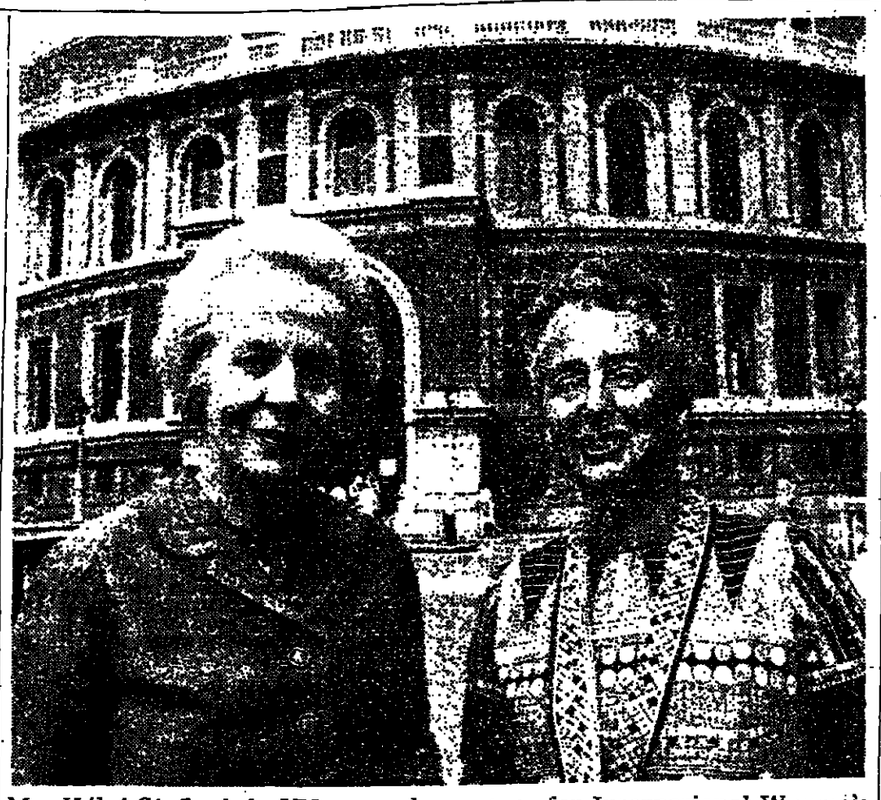
The Rev J. M. Tubs, curate of Bradford with Cleckheaton and Tyrs diocese of Chelmsford, to be vicar of the same parish.

The Rev D. J. Ford, curate of St Andrew's, Westlands, Newcastle-under-Lyme, diocese of Lichfield, to be Vicar of St Stephen's with St Philip and St Anne's, Sheffield, diocese of Sheffield.

The Rev B. Green, vice-principal, to be Principal of the College of the Resurrection, Mirfield, diocese of York.

The Rev J. P. Patrick, Vicar of Upperthong, Holmfirth, Huddersfield, diocese of Wakefield, to be Vicar of Shelfanville, Huddersfield, same diocese.

The Rev J. F. Wenham, Vicar of Welwyn, diocese of St Albans, to be also Rural Dean of Hatfield, same diocese.



Mrs Hélví Sípila, left, UN general secretary for International Women's Year, who was the guest speaker at the National Federation of Women's Institutes' diamond jubilee annual meeting, yesterday with Mrs Pat Jacob, the chairman, outside the Albert Hall.

Visitors' footwork proves damaging to Snowdon

By a Staff Reporter

Man's increasing recreational use of Snowdon is disfiguring its surface and destroying the character the visitor has come to enjoy. Balance must be restored, consultants for the Countryside Commission say in an interim report published today.

The report estimates that about 210,000 people visit the summit of Snowdon every year, and that more than half of them walk up. About 92,300 ascend by the railway, which does not run in winter.

The report says that with increasing recreational use, plant communities of European significance are being unwittingly damaged, paths becoming eroded, and effective hill farming, on which the quality of the land depends, being inhibited by the conflict of interests between farmer and visitor.

The report suggests the setting up of a subcommittee under the auspices of the National Park Committee to manage the peak.

A four-year programme to reinstate eroded paths and damaged parts of the mountain at a cost of £95,000 is suggested.

It also proposes a single new building on the summit of Snowdon to replace all existing structures.

Snowdon Summit, by Leonard Manasseh and Partners, architects and planning consultants (Countryside Commission, 80p).

Second victory for Karpov in tournament

Portoroz, Yugoslavia, June 4.—Anatoly Karpov, playing in the first international tournament since becoming world champion, last night won his second victory in the Vidmar Memorial Chess Tournament here.

In the second round the Soviet world champion defeated the Yugoslav grand master Osterman in 47 moves.

Other results in the second round:

Portisch, Hungary v Hort, Czechoslovakia, drawn; Garcia, Cuba v Marovic, Italy, drawn; Ribli, Hungary v Planinc, Yugoslavia, adjourned; Gligoric v Velimirovic, both of Yugoslavia, drawn; Kavalek v Musil, both of Yugoslavia, drawn; Parma v Ljubojevic, both of Yugoslavia, drawn; Farman, Soviet Union v Barle, Yugoslavia, 1—0.

Standing after the second round: Karpov, 2; Gligoric, Ljubojevic, Parma, Hort 1.5; Furman 1; Ribli, Portisch, Velimirovic 1; Garcia, Barle 0.5; Planinc 0; Osterman 0.—AP.

Reception

Institution of Civil Engineers
The Institution of Civil Engineers held their annual conversazione yesterday at their headquarters, Great George Street, Westminster. Members and their guests were received by the president, Sir William Harris, and Lady Harris.

Dinners

Midsummer Banquet
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress gave a banquet at the Mansion House yesterday evening in honour of the arts, the sciences and learning which was attended by aldermen, sheriffs, some members of the Court of Common Council and high officers of the corporation and their ladies. The Lord Mayor proposed the toast of "The arts, the sciences and learning", to which Mr A. J. P. Taylor responded, and the health of the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress was proposed by Professor Sir Cyril Phillips, Vice-Chancellor of London University. After the banquet the Lord Mayor announced that the *Midsummer* Prize, awarded by the Corporation of London to a person who has achieved distinction in the arts, sciences or learning, had this year been awarded to Miss Jacqueline du Pre for her outstanding contribution to music.

Lord Mayor of Belfast
A dinner for the installation of the Lord Mayor of Belfast, Councillor R. E. Myles Humphries, was held last night in the City Hall, Belfast. Among the guests were: Lord Donaldson, Under-secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Lord and Lady Glentoran, Lord and Lady O'Neill, Brigadier Sir Ian and Lady Fraser, Sir David and Lady Holden, the Chief Constable and Mrs Jamie Flanagan, the Italian Consul and Mrs Leo Forte, the French Consul and Mme Isnard, and Commander and Mrs W. L. Stephens.

Service dinner

Royal Norfolk Regiment
The annual dinner of The Royal Norfolk Regiment was held at the Naval and Military Club, Piccadilly, yesterday. Brigadier F. P. Barclay was in the chair.

Latest wills

Mrs Ivy Mabel **Blackhurst**, of Sheffield, left £27,914 net (no duty shown). After personal bequests totalling £5,200, she left the remainder on trust for her cat Blackie for up to 20 years from her death. The balance then goes to the RSPCA, Sheffield.

Askew, Mr Raymond Percy, of Caterham, director, Meat and Livestock Commission .. £83,125

Other estates include (net, before duty paid; duty on some estates not disclosed):

Richards, Mr William Morley, of Chelsea, journalist .. £581

Smith, Mr Charles Protheroe, of Chipstead, Surrey (duty paid, £19,357) £138,312

Wallace, Mr John Madder, of Haslemere, Surrey (duty paid, £26,856) £152,440

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, June 5, 1950

English Catholicism

Cardinal Griffin, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, in a pastoral letter which was read in all churches and chapels of his diocese yesterday, reviewed the growth of the Roman Catholic community in England and Wales on the approach of the centenary of the restoration of the hierarchy. It was reestablished by Pope Pius IX on September 29, 1850, having become extinct under persecution in the sixteenth century.

Cardinal Griffin stated that it was estimated that the Roman Catholics of England and Wales numbered one million in 1850; now there were more than three times that number. There were fewer than 1,000 priests in the country in 1850 but now there were more than six times that number. In 1850 there were 694 churches whereas they now numbered nearly 2,900. The 200 schools of 1850 had risen to more than 2,000.

Grandeur and the common touch are restored to Kensington Palace

By Philip Howard

The most homely of the royal palaces, the one where a commoner can feel most at ease, is about to be reopened to the public after more than two years of extensive renovation and refurbishing.

The state rooms of Kensington Palace have been fastidiously restored to their original condition as the place where William and Mary got away from it all and gardened; Queen Anne sometimes counsel took, sometimes tea, and sometimes scandal with her Duchess of Marlborough; the first two Georges strutted; and Victoria was born.

For the first time since the royals moved out, the palace looks and feels like a grand country house, not an institution.

The work has been done by that ancient collaboration between the Clerks of the King's Works, recently, and unhappily, renamed the Department of the Environment, and the Lord Chamberlain's Office, the Royal Household and the London Museum.

Reopening the rooms yesterday, Lady Birk, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment, said "the cooperation of these various organizations to improve these unique rooms will give a fillip to European Architectural Heritage Year, and an additional tourist attraction to England".

Wren's seventeenth-century rooms have had their hideous brown inspirational linoleum replaced by oak floors, and their oak panelling restored. Kent's Georgian rooms have been restored with gilt and Roman grandeur featuring the more discreditable Roman emperors, intended to reflect the wisdom and virtues immortal to the Hanoverian monarchy.

Draped curtains and pelmets, and woven carpets for the Victorian rooms have been recreated in the style and design of the periods with meticulous scholarship and craftsmanship by the Historic Buildings Section of the Department of the Environment.

The furniture and paintings are mostly from the royal collection, many not seen before, with some loans from the London Museum and the Victoria and Albert Museum. The paintings include great works by Rubens, Vandyke and Kneller. The most notable pieces of furniture are James II's majestic state four-poster, which can sleep a small football team, and Queen Mary II's exquisitely ornate mid-seventeenth-century writing cabinet.

Furniture and pictures reflect the successive periods of the architecture. The early rooms are sparsely but elegantly furnished; the Victorian rooms cluttered with bric-a-brac, bibelots, furniture, and the rest of Victorian good taste.

The council chamber, looking out across the Round Pond to the original site of the Crystal Palace, has been used to display extraordinary items from the royal collection which was shown at the Great Exhibition in 1851 and have not been seen since.

The ensemble recreates lovingly, accurately and wittily the different royal life-styles of different ages, and is an additional ornament to the great museums of London: not so much a museum, at that; more a house that could be lived in.



A ceiling with a painting of *Jupiter and Semele*, which is all that remains of William Kent's decor for the King's Drawing Room, Kensington Palace.

Dealer wins four fifths of Sassoon library

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Christie's yesterday sold the library of Siegfried Sassoon for £107,919, about £20,000 above their most optimistic expectations. It was, in fact, more than a library, for included in the sale were autograph manuscripts of his own work and large collections of letters from his friends, including such names as Wilfred Owen, T. E. Lawrence, Edmund Blunden, Edith Sitwell.

In an age dominated by nostalgia for the First World War and *Interwar period*, it was perhaps inevitable that the sale would go well. In fact the success of the sale was primarily assured by Eldieff, the American dealer, otherwise known as Mr L. D. Feldman, who determinedly outbid all comers. His purchases totalled £85,323, four-fifths of the sale.

A manuscript of Sassoon's *Memoirs of a Fox-Hunting Man*, with extensive revisions and three original drawings by William Nicholson, made £3,200 (estimate £1,500 to £2,500). There were two manuscripts of *Memoirs of an Infantry Officer*, both at £3,000. The first, incorporating a fine drawing by Rex Whistler, had been estimated at £1,000 to £1,500, the other at £500 to £1,000. All three manuscripts went to Eldieff.

The collections of letters managed to top those prices. A collection of 571 letters and 60 postcards from Edmund Blunden to Sassoon, an unpublished record of a friendship that lasted more than 40 years, went for £4,800 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000). A series of only 17 letters from T. E. Lawrence to Sassoon, written between 1919 and 1935, with discussions of both their own friends' literary work, was more of a surprise when it went for £4,200 (estimate £1,200 to £1,600). A series of letters written by Robert Graves to Sassoon between 1916 and 1962 made £3,800 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000).

Those three lots were all sold to Eldieff, while Quaritch fought back and obtained an autograph manuscript of Robert Graves's poems, some 25 pages in all, at £3,800 (estimate £1,000 to £2,000).

A group of 97 letters and five postcards from Edith Sitwell to Sassoon, described by Christie's as "a long gossipy and exuberant series", made £2,500 (estimate £400 to £600) to Eldieff.

The top price in the section of printed books was the £2,850, again paid by Eldieff, for a first edition of Robert Graves's *Good-Bye to All That* of 1929, heavily annotated by Edmund Blunden and Sassoon.

Sotheby's held a routine sale of Impressionist and modern paintings yesterday, with a top price of £540 (estimate £150 to £200) for a Giorgio de Chirico drawing. The prices were much in line with expectations, with the odd failure here and there.

Paris sale: A painting by a contemporary French artist, Bernard Buffet, "The Thames in front of Westminster", was auctioned for 62,000 francs (£6,700) at the Palais Galliera on Tuesday (Reuter reports).

The best bids were for a Raoul Dufy, "Quintet Salle Gaveau", which fetched 105,000 francs (£21,300), a painting by Lenor Fini, "The Room" (1940), 65,000 francs (£7,000).

OBITUARY

FRIDA LEIDER

A great Wagnerian soprano

Frida Leider, the great Wagnerian soprano, died yesterday at the age of 87.

She was born, the daughter of a carpenter, in Berlin on April 18, 1888. After studying in Berlin and Milan, she made her debut at Halle as Venus in *Tannhäuser* in 1915. After singing for some years in minor German opera houses, learning her art thoroughly in the old-fashioned, solid way, she went to Hamburg in 1919, staying there for four years.

She then moved to the Berlin State Opera, which remained her base for the rest of her active career, that is until the Second World War.

Until Hamburg she had sung mostly the Mozartian and Italian *spinto* repertory, and her early records demonstrate that she was as accomplished in this field as she was later to become in the heavy Wagnerian repertory.

Leider's international career began when she came to Covent Garden, under the auspices of Bruno Walter, to sing Isolde and Brünnhilde in 1924. She immediately established herself as London's favourite Wagnerian soprano, and returned there regularly until 1938.

She also appeared as Donna Anna in the famous 1926 revival of *Don Giovanni*, appearing with Lotte Lehmann, Elisabeth Schumann and Mariano Stabile under Bruno Walter. Her other Covent Garden roles were Leonora (*Trovatore*), Gluck's *Armide*, both arresting portrayals, Venus and Kundry.

Leider's association with Bayreuth lasted from 1928 until 1938, and in 1928 she also made her American debut, in Chicago, as Brünnhilde. After four years there in a variety of parts, including Rachel in *La Juive* and the Marschallin, she moved to the Metropolitan in 1933 and sang the Wagnerian "heavies" there for two seasons.

Among other roles she sang with success in Berlin were the Countess, Ariadne, Amelia (*Ballo in Maschera*), Dido (*Les Troyens*) and Leonore (*Fidelio*). After the war, she sang in a few concerts, then devoted herself to production and teaching, first as a director in East Berlin and from 1948 to 1958 as a voice teacher in the West Berlin Conservatory.

Her rich, beautiful voice was allied to a strong dramatic instinct and a keen intelligence. She always laid stress on pure tone and eloquence of phrasing, never indulging in histrionic or vocal excess. She always maintained that her long years of apprenticeship enabled her to achieve her long, successful and rewarding career, and she was right. Fortunately, substantial extracts of her incomparable Isolde and Brünnhilde remain on record as object-lessons for future generations of Wagnerian sopranos.

Her other discs are no less enjoyable and instructive. All are proof of the penetration of her interpretations, and of their musical accuracy.

MR EDWARD GRIERSON

L. W. writes:

The life of Edward Grierson, who died on May 24 aged 61, shows that even in this age of the narrow specialist it is still possible (or was at least until very recently) for a man to be Deputy Chairman of Quarter Sessions, a novelist and an historian, and to achieve a standard of work in each that was truly professional. His wide interests were a reminder of more varied and cultivated days than our own, and because his wife shared in them, his home in the North Tyne Valley became a meeting point for a surprising variety of people—academics, countrymen, members of the Bar and for friends with whom he played tennis and talked of gardens.

From St Paul's at Exeter College, Oxford, he was called to the Bar and began a promising career on the North East Circuit which the war interrupted. But he had always wanted above everything to write, and after the war he took the perilous decision for a family man of not returning to practise, but of devoting himself solely to his books. The considerable success of his early novels, especially *Reputation for a Song* and *The Second Man*, showed that his choice had not been as rash as he had sometimes feared; and he was able to combine his later writing with the Chairmanship of the Bellingham Bench, and from 1963 until Quarter Sessions were abolished, with the Deputy Chairmanship of Northumberland Quarter Sessions.

His later biographies and histories won high critical acclaim. They were meticulous as to fact and elegantly written. In particular his account of the reign of Philip II of Spain in *The Fatal Inheritance* (1969) showed his skill in never allowing vast and complex subject matter to engulf his narrative theme. *The Imperial Dream* (1972), a history of the British Commonwealth and Empire, showed a capacity for masterly balance and compression. One of his earlier works, *Storm Bird*, *The Strange Life of Georgina Weldon* (1959), although in worldly terms not one of his most successful books, was none the less a fascinating one—but each of several other books have their own devotees.

The forthcoming publication by Collins of a topographical, historical and architectural guide to the North of England (written jointly with his wife) will only underline the sense of loss felt at his early death, with so many books still to write. He will be sadly missed by a host of friends.

SIR CHRISTOPHER BONHAM-CARTER

Rear Admiral Sir Christopher Douglas Bonham-Carter, GCVO, CB, a former Treasurer and Private Secretary to The Duke of Edinburgh, died on June 3 at the age of 67.

He joined the Royal Navy in 1921 and was a Lieutenant-Commander serving in the sloop HMS Bridgwater, at the outbreak of the Second World War.

From 1940 to 1943 he was at the Signals Division of the Admiralty and subsequently went to the Staff of C-in-C Far Eastern Fleet as Chief Naval Signals Officer.

He was mentioned in dispatches for outstanding courage, skill and determination in a successful attack on the Japanese Naval Base at Sebang in 1943.

From 1945 to 1946 he commanded, successively, the destroyers Roebuck and Harfleur before going to HMS Mercury, the Naval School of Signals in November 1946.

He was Commander of the Second Frigate Squadron from 1949 to 1951 followed by a two year period as Naval Attaché in Rome.

He subsequently commanded the light cruiser HMS Glasgow and was Chief of Staff Mediterranean from 1957 until his retirement in 1959.

He was Treasurer to the Duke of Edinburgh from 1959 to 1970 and became Treasurer and Private Secretary in 1970. He had been an extra equerry since 1970. He became a CB in 1959, CVO, 1962, KCVO, 1968 and GCVO in 1970.

COUNTESS OF DYSART

The Countess of Dysart died on June 2 at the age of 85.

She succeeded her uncle, the 9th Earl of Dysart, in 1935. The daughter of C. N. L. Scott and Lady Agnes Mary Manners, daughter of Lord Huntingtower, she married in 1913 Major Owain Greaves who died in 1941. They had three daughters of whom the eldest, Lady Rosamund Greaves, succeeds her mother.

SIR PHILIP WIGGLESWORTH

Lord Zuckerman writes:

The notice of Sir Philip Wigglesworth's death fills me with sadness. I got to know him in 1943 during the course of the Mediterranean campaign, when he was deputy to Air Chief Marshal Lord Tedder, and we then worked very closely during the period he was Senior Air Staff Officer to the late Air Chief Marshal Sir Trafford Leigh-Mallory, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Expeditionary Air Forces.

No one could have treated a civilian adviser on strategic planning with greater understanding or greater courtesy. He had no pretensions and he was always receptive to new ideas. Once they were accepted, you could be certain they would be pursued with the greatest of tact. When, as often happened in the months leading up to D-Day, there were difficulties with American and British staff planners, who were occasionally at odds with each other but joined in opposition to the plans which Leigh-Mallory and Tedder had endorsed, he was always there to smooth the path. After all, as Tedder wrote in the autobiography he published in 1966, "Wigglesworth even tamed the redoubtable Bedell Smith, Eisenhower's Chief of Staff".

He was a loyal friend and we kept in touch in the years after the war. He lost his wife, whom he had married late in life, only a year or so ago, and from his last message I have the feeling that he died a lonely man.

Mr L. D. McCARTHY, VC

Mr Lawrence Dominic McCarthy, who has died, won the Victoria Cross in 1918 while serving in France as a lieutenant with the 16th Battalion the Australian Imperial Forces during an attack near Madame Wood east of Vermandovillers, north of Chaulnes.

Miss Olive Katherine Lloyd Lloyd-Baker, CBE, died on May 31, at the age of 72. She was a JP for Gloucestershire in 1943 and High Sheriff of the county from 1970 to 1971.

Science report

Bacteriology: Genetic hazards

According to two independent tests, the gut bacteria which geneticists have been using for genetic engineering experiments perform so poorly in growing in human intestines that the risk of their escaping and spreading into the population is probably minimal.

Much of the recent concern about new techniques for inserting foreign genetic material into bacteria derives from the fact that the bacteria concerned belong to species normally found in the human gut. Fortunately, however, a particular strain most popular laboratory use does not flourish people.

E. S. Anderson at the Central Public Health Laboratories and R. Williams Smith at the Houghton Poultry Research Station independently reported on the survival rate of the laboratory strain after tests in which large doses of the bacteria were swallowed by volunteers. The strain did not contain any new or foreign DNA, though they did include the DNA fragments, or plasmids, that have been used as vehicles for alien genes.

The laboratory bacteria, which are a strain of *Escherichia coli*, called K12, survived for only a few days after being swallowed, and few seemed to manage to grow. That is probably because of competition from wild K12 which grows naturally in the intestine.

Another important question is whether during their brief stay the K12 bacteria have time to transfer plasmids to the better adapted wild K12 bacteria. In test tube experiments which preceded the test on humans Dr Anderson found that natural gut bacteria do not readily take up plasmids from K12. On the one human volunteer on whom this was tested, only a few bacteria were found to have acquired plasmids from the ingested K12.

Plasmids normally spread among bacteria if they are carrying a gene which confers some survival advantage. Thus drug-resistant plasmids spread when the bacteria are exposed to antibiotics. The main threat from new combinations of genetic material incorporated in plasmids is that of the unknown. But unless the unknown characteristics of the hybrid DNA are some help to the bacterium, they are not particularly likely to persist, regardless of their effect on the human host.

Furthermore, the experiments were carried out with much larger quantities of bacteria than anyone would be likely to swallow by accident; so the real probability of plasmid transfer should be even smaller than in the tests.

By Nature-Times News Service.
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Poor response to hospital appeal

A public appeal by the St Michael's Foundation for £2m to establish an independent hospital in London for heart and circulatory diseases is to close because of a poor response.

The foundation is to continue seeking sponsorship from businesses.

Pharmaceutical Society

Mr J. P. Bannerman was elected president of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain yesterday. Mrs E. Leigh was elected vice-president and Mr A. Howells was elected treasurer.

University news

Oxford
The Chancellor's Prize for Latin verse has been awarded to S. J. Instone, scholar of Balliol College. There were no entries for the Latin prose prize.

The Craven Exhibition has been awarded to S. Anon (Bath).

Elections:

WORCESTER COLLEGE: Amphlett of Glint senior scholarship N. J. Spice, BA (New Coll).

BRUNEL UNIVERSITY: Lectureships in the House in metallurgy in conjunction with GLED fellowship J. L. Henshall, BA (Cantab).

Research lectureships, M. G. Grosvel, MA (Oxon), BSc, PhD (Lond) (Ch Ch), A. P. A. Stanton, BA (Cantab, Clare), J. Robertson, BA (Wadh).

Senior scholarships G. A. Lord, BA (Merton) and H. J. Nicholas, BA (Ch Ch).

G. L. Field exhibition: M. J. Moffitt, commoner of the house. Roger Prentice exhibition: C. J. Fuller, commoner. John V. Lovitt prize: C. Caun, commoner.

BRASENOSE: COLLEGE: Official fellowship in mathematics, Dr R. G. Haydon, MA, PhD (Cambridge), junior research fellow (Queen's).

ORIEL COLLEGE: Scholarship: D. W. Robson, exhibitioner (Downside 91).

St Andrews
Dr D. A. Whiten BSc (Sheffield) PhD (Bristol), an SSRC conversion fellow of Queen's College, Oxford, has been appointed lecturer in the department of psychology.

Glasgow
The Medical Research Council has awarded a grant of £17,786 to Dr J. V. Jones, Mr E. MacKenzie, Mr J. McCulloch and Dr D. Graham (Wellcome Surgical Research Institute), for hypertension studies on the cerebral circulation during chronic and malignant phases.

Edinburgh
Professor W. Cochran, BSc, PhD (Edin), MA (Cantab), FRS, Professor of Physics, has been appointed to the chair of natural philosophy from October 1.

Wales
A grant of £63,000 has been awarded to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council to the department of medicine at the Welsh National School of Medicine to stimulate the development of rheumatic diseases research in Wales. Dr R. W. Martin, professor of mechanical engineering, has been appointed Vice-Principal elect of UWIST.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF SWANSEA (Grants)
Science Research Council: £15,494 to Dr J. R. Conder for research into fraction collection for production gas chromatography; £97,182 to Professor D. R. Beynon for research into ion-kinetic energy spectroscopy, development of applications in organic and physical chemistry; £18,300 to Professor J. Burke and Dr B. Wilshire for research into the creep behaviour of dilute alloys near to the solubility limit.

Nottingham
Honorary degrees are to be conferred on the following this summer:

LLD: J. Anstey, D. L. Evans, Dr H. Mahler.
DSc: Emeritus Professor E. J. W. Barrington, J. Cameron-Gilford, C. H. Grimes.
DM: Emeritus Professor Sir Derrick Dunlop.
MA: S. Middleton.
LLM: A. Plumb.
An honorary DSc will be conferred on Dr A. Kastler, and an honorary MA on R. A. Baird later.

Bradford
Mr A. J. Thayre has been appointed to a third term of office as pro-chancellor and chairman of the university council.

Heritage year exhibitions

Two exhibitions designed by the Department of the Environment for European Architectural Heritage Year will be on show free of charge during June and July at Reed House, 82 Piccadilly, London.

The first, from June 9 to July 4, features the architectural heritage and history of Greenwich, and the second, from July 7 to August 1, is called "Preserving the past for the future". Both will be open from Monday to Friday, 9.30 am to 5 pm.

MA for Prince

The Prince of Wales is to receive his MA degree in the Senate House at Cambridge on August 2. He graduated in 1970.

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Decline in Bonn payments surplus underlines gloom over economy

By David Blake

Figures released by the West German Federal Bank yesterday confirmed the rapid decline in the country's balance of payments surplus in recent months, and are likely to bring a certain amount of comfort to Germany's international partners, who have already seen the decline in the German trade surplus.

The official figures show that the April surplus fell to DM 775m (about £121.6m) from the March level of DM 1,544m, and fell down on the DM 2,383m of April 1974.

The large German surpluses of last year were a major source of concern to other nations, both because of the fear that they were earned partly at the expense of employment in other countries and partly because of the difficulties they caused to other states faced with balance of payments deficits which need to be funded.

Unemployment statistics, to be released today may show that the number out of work in May still top the million level, with 1.02 million expected to be unemployed. This is a slight reduction on the April total of 1.09 million but still a high level for a country which until recently was used to very low levels of unemployment.

Perhaps even more disturbing are the pessimistic projections of the economy's likely course during the rest of this year, which, it is reported, will be presented to a joint meeting of unions, government and employers in Bonn tomorrow.

The government, which earlier this year was predicting something like 2 per cent real growth for the economy, has now accepted that output is likely to stagnate. Even this situation, of zero net growth, is likely to require considerable exertion if it is to be achieved, according to the Economics Ministry, which also predicts that exports will fall in real terms by 3 per cent during the year as a whole.

Government economists now expect that industrial investment this year will rise by only 3 per cent instead of by the earlier estimate of 4 to 6 per cent, which was foreshadowed in the annual economic review in January.

The drop in exports and investment is likely to have its predictable effect on employment, and it is thought that the average throughout 1975 may be around 4 per cent or 900,000, instead of the earlier suggestion of 3 per cent.

In spite of all these depressing indicators, the government is thought still to be opposed to the idea of any further reflationary measures and is likely to resist any pressure for them to be adopted.

Tomorrow's meeting is one of the regular joint consultations in which the government gets together with both sides of industry, and will not, in any case, be expected to come to any definite policy decisions.

The stern warning given in Paris last week by Herr Hans Friderichs, Economics Minister, that the greatest danger facing the Western industrialized countries is still that they will experience a maxi-boom later this year which will lead on to a maxi-recession at a later date, makes it clear that the German government is determined to stick with its policy for the time being.

Overpricing factor in Nigerian oil output cut

From Peter Hill
Lagos, June 4

Nigerian oil production has dropped back sharply in the first half of this year and is currently running at about 1.56 million barrels a day compared with an average daily output for last year of 2.25 million barrels.

The fall-off reflects the economic recession in the United States and Europe, the high levels of stocks in consuming countries and the mild European winter. Another factor is the difficulty Nigeria has experienced in selling its participation crude earlier this year as a result of over-pricing in relation to other crude oil supplies, and government conservation measures.

Exports of Nigeria's low sulphur crude generate around 83 per cent of the country's national revenue, and the maintenance of current price levels—at considerably higher production rates than at present—are closely related to the country's £20,000m sterling third national development plan launched earlier this year.

Like other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, Nigeria, the world's seventh largest oil producer, is becoming increasingly concerned at the pace of inflation in consuming countries and the impact on the price of manufactured goods it is importing.

Speaking against the background of next week's Opec summit meeting in Gabon, at which the producing countries are expected to decide policy on oil prices for the second half of this year, Mr Philip Asiodu, chairman of the Nigerian National Oil Corporation, underlined the concern at the erosion of oil revenues by inflation in consuming countries.

Recently Nigeria concluded new pricing agreements with companies operating in the country for the second quarter of this year which included big increases in taxation and royalty rates.

Existing direct sales customers include Shell (US), Tenneco and Gelsenberg. Mr Asiodu said the new agreements were expected to be signed within two or three weeks.

On the question of further government participation, beyond the 55 per cent stake which the NNOC now holds in producing companies, Mr Asiodu said that while an extension could not be ruled out in some cases, the priority in the short term would be the maintenance of high exploration levels.

Further 5 pc increase on way for British cars

By Clifford Webb

Beginning with British Leyland in about 10 days time, the car manufacturers are expected to announce another round of price increases. However, they are likely to be the lowest since the three-monthly cycle of announcements began two years ago.

The latest increases will probably average 5 per cent compared with the 8 per cent level established in recent rounds. Since April, 1973, British car prices have increased by some 60 to 70 per cent compared with 30 to 40 per cent for most imports.

The need for British manufacturers to restrict their prices to the absolute minimum will become apparent when the latest new car registration details are published shortly. They are expected to show that May's sales of around 99,000 were the worst for five years.

Even more significantly in this much smaller market, imports still accounted for around 35 per cent. Although this shows a fall from their April peak of 38.4 per cent it again emphasizes the importers steady hold on one third of the British market.

The explanation offered by motor industry sources last night was the considerable price advantage enjoyed by importers in the now all important small car sector. The bulk of foreign car sales are in the under £1,500 bracket.

Despite the strikes at Chrysler and Ford, car stocks in Britain are still more than adequate.

Datsun UK last night denied reports that it had resigned from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders as a protest against the society's "victimization" of its Japanese membership. A Datsun spokesman said: "There is no truth at all in these rumours".

Phoenix Assurance enters rights issue market to raise £20m

By Our Financial Staff

Phoenix Assurance yesterday became the latest of the major composite insurance groups to announce a rights issue. Phoenix is raising £20m compared to the £37.5m rights issue announced last month by Sun Alliance and a £32.7m issue by Guardian Royal Exchange in March.

Including the £62m rights issue by Commercial Union last September this makes a total cash call of £152m on the stock market by the composite insurers over nine months.

Adding the £46m rights issue announced by Prudential Assurance, the leading United Kingdom life office, last month the total is practically £200m.

One of the chief factors behind the spate of insurance group issues is the need to anticipate new Department of Trade regulations which could substantially reduce the eligible assets which companies can include in their balance sheets to match liabilities.

These regulations have not yet been promulgated but are expected to take effect next year.

Phoenix is issuing 11.73 million new shares on the basis of one-for-four, at an issue price of 180p. This compares with last night's closing price for Phoenix shares of 234—up 4p.

Continental Insurance Co of New York owns 23 per cent of Phoenix's shares and the United States group is "supporting" the rights issue, though it is reserving its position on whether to subscribe for its full entitlement.

Hambros Bank and Lazards are bankers to the issue, and the brokers handling it are Pember & Boyle and Cazenove.

Phoenix also issued its first quarter results for 1975 yesterday. These show a 29 per cent fall to £2.9m in pre-tax profits.

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Viscount De L'Isle, chairman of Phoenix Assurance.

Flight of UK funds into Eire on fears for pound

By Anthony Rowley

A large volume of British investment funds is flowing into the Republic of Ireland in expectation of a possible split in the parities of sterling and the Irish pound. The inflow is said to have totalled around £60m in the first three months of this year.

Commenting on the situation yesterday, Mr Desmond McGuane, secretary and investment manager of Irish Life, the biggest Irish assurance company, suggested that the result of today's EEC referendum would have a strong bearing on whether or not the British and Irish pounds diverged.

"Certainly in the event of the United Kingdom leaving the EEC I think this would happen", he said. "It would not happen overnight: there would be an interregnum first."

Institutional and private investors from London, and also from Edinburgh's financial district, have been investing heavily in Irish government securities and in Irish bank deposits during the run-up to the referendum.

The flow of "hot money" into Eire has been precipitated not only by British investors' fears over the outcome of the referendum but also over what might happen to sterling if inflation continued unabated in Britain. The Irish pound is seen by investors as a good hedge against both risks.

Irish Life was forced temporarily to close its property fund to investors recently to forestall a heavy influx of foreign funds into it from Switzerland as well as from London. This was designed to prevent too heavy a concentration of foreign holdings in prime Irish properties.

A bank strike in Ireland intervened to block the inflow of foreign funds temporarily when Irish Life's funds were looking most oversubscribed. However, there is talk in Dublin of the possibility of formal exchange controls being introduced by the government to check the inflow if necessary.

Irish Life has limitations on the money that can be invested by one single investor in its various bonds. Both the Property Modules Fund and the Managed Fund have recently outperformed British investment indices and both are substantially invested in Irish securities.

Only the Irish equity market seems to have failed to benefit substantially from the inflow of foreign funds, largely because the market is narrow.

There is, however, a possibility of a "two-tier market" developing between these prime stocks and other Irish shares.

MEPC pass dividend on £8m profit slump

By Andrew Wilson

For the first time in its history as a public company, MEPC, the multi-national property group, has passed its interim dividend after a slump in interim pre-tax profits from £8.61m to a mere £66,000.

After tax and write offs in the value of overseas properties and minority interests, there was a net attributable loss of £2.36m compared with a profit for the comparable six months to March 31, 1974, of £3.55m.

Sir Henry Johnson, chairman of MEPC, said yesterday that it was right in the circumstances not to pay a dividend. The board would consider a final dividend at the appropriate time. Last year MEPC paid gross dividends of 5.97p a share.

The market had been expecting bad results from MEPC and the shares, weak ahead of the news, fell from 146p to 131p.

The failure of one of the outside partners involved in the Manhattan Centre development in Brussels resulted in a provision of £964,000 for the non-recovery of debts. This main development is still only 40 per cent let.

Group rental income in the six months increased from £16.8m to £18.4m, but around £1¼m had been lost as a result of the rent freeze which was lifted just before the end of the accounting period. Apart from Belgium, a provision of £530,000 had been made against certain dealing properties. Housebuilding losses amounted to over £1m while interest charges were up £2.57m at £16.7m.

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Receiver for Tan Sad pram unit

By Desmond Quigley

Tan Sad Holdings yesterday asked for its Stock Exchange quotation to be suspended after Tan Sad-Allwin, a main subsidiary, had been placed in the hands of a receiver.

Tan Sad-Allwin, which accounted for a third of the parent company sales, is one of the oldest names in the traditional baby pram business and joins the growing casualty list of companies operating in this business.

Last month Airfix Industries rescued Triang Pedigree, the pram and toy manufacturer, in a joint operation with the Department of Industry. Earlier this week Rosedale Industries, the plastic toys, houseware and garden equipment group, was placed in the hands of a receiver.

Heenan Spark, the investment, financial and industrial company, holds a 58 per cent stake in Rosedale and 27.5 per cent of the equity in Tan Sad Holdings. Last night Mr Derek Wilson, the new chairman of Heenan Spark, said Heenan Spark had not influenced the decision to place Tan Sad-Allwin in receivership.

A spokesman for Mr M. W. Kaye, chairman of Tan Sad Holdings and a director of Heenan Spark, said last night that a question mark hung over the whole group, which also owns Tan Sad Luxi and Good-Wood Playthings.

A statement issued by Tan Sad-Allwin's board yesterday said the company had sustained losses for many years despite changes in management.

Efforts had been made to diversify out of the traditional baby carriage market into push chairs, carry-cots and other nursery equipment. Although these efforts had been relatively successful they had not reversed the underlying trend.

The parent company has made a loss for several years. Unaudited results for the year to last August showed a loss of £172,000, against a loss of £148,000 for the previous year on sales of £1.59m—up £425,000 from £1.17m.

Unlike Triang Pedigree and Rosedale, Tan Sad-Allwin had not asked the Department of Industry for aid.

Although Rosedale is now in receivership, the department, which has a £200,000 debenture, is still considering its request for assistance. One of the department's investigating teams has already recommended that Rosedale should be given aid totalling £1.5m.

Grindlays chief gives up executive duties

By Christopher Wilkins

Lord Aldington has formally handed over his executive responsibilities as chairman of Grindlays Bank to Mr Peter Jefferys, who was appointed managing director of the bank in April last year.

Until he joined the bank in 1972 as deputy managing director, Mr Jefferys was employed by First National City Bank of New York, which is raising its stake in Grindlays from 40 to 49 per cent in return for a so-far-unquantified injection of new funds.

Lord Aldington said yesterday that he still regarded the chairmanship of Grindlays as his prime interest and would continue to devote most of his time to the bank. He said that for some time he had been handing over day-to-day executive responsibility to Mr Jefferys and, although his role had changed in theory, there would not be much difference in practice.

Lord Aldington, who was 61 last month, is also chairman of Sun Alliance and London Insurance and the Port of London Authority.

Mr Jeffreys joined the overseas division of Citibank in New York in 1958, and until 1967 worked in various parts of Asia including Singapore, the Philippines and India. In 1969 he became a vice-president in New York with responsibility for Citibank's affiliate banking companies, of which Grindlays is one.

The change in the management structure at Grindlays follows a £14m loss provision by Brandts, its merchant banking subsidiary. As a result Grindlays has indicated that it hopes to raise between £15m and £30m of new capital, most of which will be put up by Citibank.

US inflation still too high, Mr Simon says

Washington, June 4.—Mr William Simon, the United States Treasury Secretary, said today that the economy still had an underlying rate of inflation that was unacceptably high.

"A wide range of evidence suggests that the current recession is now in the process of reversing direction", Mr Simon said in his statement to the Joint Economic Committee.

"But recovery from this low point will not quickly be evident in all of the measures of economic activity. For example, further increases in the rate of unemployment cannot be ruled out."

Mr Simon said the ability of financial markets to handle large Federal deficits as well as private credit needs, and the state of industrial capacity with its ability to support a strong recovery without serious difficulty, were the main constraints on how far and fast the current recovery could go.

The Treasury would have raised $36,000m (about £15,517m) in financing from the private market during January to June. Another $70,000m to $75,000m or more would be needed in the next fiscal year, he said.

Mr Simon added that "The Federal budget must be put back in balance and the growth of Federal spending limited.

"Unless we check that runaway growth, there is a serious risk in my opinion that the Federal Government itself may clog the financial markets and choke off economic recovery."

The Government could not do as much to expand industrial capacity as it could to control Federal spending, he said, but excessive Federal borrowing could crowd out private credit needs which would be used to expand capacity.

Mr Simon also gave a warning on the need to avoid excessive fiscal stimulus in the fiscal year 1976.

He added: "Decisions on Federal spending programmes that will produce a large deficit in fiscal 1976 are almost sure to produce large deficits in fiscal 1977 and beyond.

"What that means is that right now we are sowing the seeds of future trouble, even if that trouble is several years down the road."—Reuter.

Hapag-Lloyd to use Suez Canal

By Michael Baily
Shipping Correspondent

West Germany may be the first European country to send ships through the Suez Canal, which will officially open today. Mr Jack Kruse, chairman of Germany's biggest shipping group, Hapag-Lloyd, said yesterday it would like to send ships through the canal this month if shipper reaction proved favourable.

Speaking at a press conference in London Mr Kruse said conventional cargo liners, particularly those serving the Middle East and adjoining areas, were likely to use the canal "almost immediately". Container ships would approach it "more cautiously".

Tankers and bulk-carriers would use it if they were within the required draught of 38 feet. The big ships going round the Cape, however, remained much more competitive than the small ones going through the canal.

Suez appeared to offer a saving of 4 to 5 per cent for conventional cargo liners to India, the Far East and Australasia, Mr Kruse said, and his group, with 15 to 20 vessels of this kind in these trades, was interested in using the canal.

The missing factor was cargo insurance, but Lloyd's and other underwriters are likely to react quickly and quote rates in view of Hapag-Lloyd's decision. If the rates quoted to shippers were too high, canal operation might have to be postponed.

Hapag-Lloyd would take the decision on the company basis for conventional ships, but on a conference basis (they are in the big Anglo-German-Japanese consortium) for container ships.

Referring to British and French trade union action against the German ferry Mary Poppins, which has now apparently abandoned its proposed new service between Southampton and St Malo, Mr Kruse said western commercial shipping generally faced a far greater threat from Russian shipping operating at subsidized rates with cheap labour than from each other.

Had Liverpool dockers acted in a similar manner against Russia's recently-opened Odessa Line to the Far East the action of Southampton dockers against the Mary Poppins might have been more understandable. Russian competition constituted a real threat to employment in western shipping, which ought to be cooperating in response.

Mr Kruse was speaking at the opening of Hapag-Lloyd's first direct representation in Britain, which now generates the group's biggest share of overseas trade in Europe after Germany.

Cargo surcharge cut: The War Risks Rating Committee, a London sea and air trade insurance underwriters' panel, yesterday cut the insurance surcharge on cargo crossing the Suez Canal to 0.125 per cent. The reduction is effective immediately.

Voyages to Israel through the canal will remain on a held-covered basis, the committee said. Held-covered means rates will be proposed as judged by the insurers to be appropriate in conditions at the time.

BSC talks over new wage deal end in deadlock

Pay talks between the British Steel Corporation and leaders of 70,000 manual workers in the industry broke up last night after nine hours with no hope of a settlement in sight.

A further meeting has been arranged for June 23—the day the rail strike is due to start.

The Iron and Steel Trades Confederation last month asked the Corporation for 30 per cent more "new money" and a clause giving them cost-of-living protection.

Mr Henry Jones, BSC's director of industrial relations, said last night: "We made an alternative proposal which was unacceptable to the union. No agreement was reached."

Takeover Panel backs Croda bid

An appeal by Midland-Yorkshire Holdings relating to dealings which enabled Croda to make its takeover bid for Midland unconditional last Friday, was dismissed by the Takeover Panel yesterday.

Share quotations of both companies—suspended while the panel conducted the hearing—should be restored today. Croda, the chemicals and glues group, said it had gained 50.1 per cent of Midland's shares on Friday after a protracted takeover battle.

The exact basis of the appeal by Midland's advisers, Hill Samuel, is unclear, though the panel intends to publish a full statement within a few days.

Range of French industry goods freed of controls

Paris, June 4.—France today announced that it is decontrolling prices on a wide range of industrial products.

But they are subject to sector-by-sector agreements on overall price trends which companies must still respect.

They include steel manufacturing equipment, mining and drilling gear, industrial ovens and weighing machines, thermal and hydraulic turbines, compressors, tools, screws, bolts, refractory products and agglomerated abrasives.—Reuter.

Ourlining details of the previously announced Fr 15,500m package designed to spur the economy, M Jean-Pierre Fourcade, Finance Minister, said yesterday that the recent Fr 5,000m debenture loan floated on the domestic market was subscribed in a few days.

P & O may cancel four tankers from Japanese yards

P & O is involved in discussions about the future of four ultra-large crude carriers it has ordered for delivery in 1977 and 1978.

Mr A. B. Marshall, P & O's managing director, disclosed yesterday that talks were taking place with the Japanese builders, although it was too early to say whether this would lead to cancellation.

One of the ships is on order by P & O itself and the others by Anglo Nordic, its 50 per cent owned associate. All four are more than 400,000 deadweight tons. One is to be built by Mitsui and the others by Mitsubishi.

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Shares climb to year's high point despite poor results

By David Mott

Despite poor results from both P & O and MEPC, which brought an easier tone around noon yesterday, the London stock market managed to maintain the firm tone evident this week ahead of today's referendum.

First-half problems at MEPC had been expected but at P & O six-month profits were about £7m below market expectations and left the shares 8p down at 107p, at the end of trading. Though not surprised, dealers marked down the property company's shares 15p to 130p and related issues also suffered.

Over the market as a whole shares, though below their best, were still firm at the close and the FT index ended 8.4 better at 359.0, recording for the second time this week a new "high" for the year.

There is a general feeling that with the referendum out of the way equities, after an initial lift, will go through a period of consolidation and that the market may not yet have seen the last of some surprisingly bad results.

Food supermarkets, with the problem of price controls, are being talked of in this connexion. Gilts had a quiet session and were in the main at overnight levels.

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How the markets moved

FT index 359.0 + 8.4
The Times index: 148.93 + 2.76

Rises

Ass Port Cement	3p to 155p	GKN	6p to 264p
Beecham	5p to 307p	Hawker Sidd	4p to 294p
Courtaulds	5p to 136p	Imp Chem Ind	8p to 296p
Dunlop	3½p to 55p	Johnson Matt	15p to 345p
De La Rue	10p to 190p	McCorquodale	19p to 187p
EMI	3p to 192p	Unilever	10p to 408p
Fisons	7p to 409p	Vickers	6p to 145p

Falls

Brocks Grp	10p to 52p	P & O Dfd	8p to 107p
Daggafontein	1p to 17p	Reliance Group	20p to 430p
Fitch Lovell	6p to 72p	Sandeman	5p to 55p
Heenan Spark	1p to 6p	Spreckley	2p to 14p
Lion Int	2p to 29p	Trans Can P	20p to 770p
MEPC	15p to 130p	Welkom	10p to 460p
Peko Wallsend	10p to 325p	W Rand Cons	30p to 380p

Equities maintained their firm tone.

Gilts saw very little business ahead of Referendum.

Sterling fell 20 pts to $2.3185. The "effective devaluation" rate was 24.7 per cent.

Gold fell 75 cents an ounce to $164.50.

SDR-$ was 0.538723 while SDR-£ was 1.25000 on Wednesday.

Commodities: Zinc staged a recovery "Reuter's commodity index was 1065.9 (Tuesday 1060.9).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.73	1.73
Austria Sch	39.50	37.50
Belgium Fr	85.50	82.75
Canada $	2.42	2.37
Denmark Kr	12.90	12.50
Finland Mkk	8.35	8.10
France Fr	9.50	9.20
Germany Dm	5.55	5.35
Greece Dr	69.25	67.00
Hong Kong $	11.60	11.25
Italy Lr	1,460.00	1,410.00
Japan Yn	700.00	675.00
Netherlands Gld	5.70	5.50
Norway Kr	11.65	11.30
Portugal Esc	56.50	54.50
S Africa Rd	2.12	2.02
Spain Pes	131.50	126.50
Sweden Kr	9.30	9.00
Switzerland Fr	5.90	5.70
US $	2.36	2.31
Yugoslavia Dnr	39.00	37.00

Rates for bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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NOTICE OF ISSUE — ABRIDGED PARTICULARS

Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the undermentioned Stock to be admitted to the Official List.

NORTH SURREY WATER COMPANY

(Incorporated in England on 2nd August, 1883, by the South-West Suburban Water Act, 1883.)

OFFER FOR SALE BY TENDER OF

£1,250,000

9 per cent. Redeemable Preference Stock, 1980

(which will mature for redemption at par on 30th June, 1980.)

Minimum Price of Issue—£99 per £100 Stock

This Stock is an investment authorised by Section 1 of the Trustee Investments Act, 1961 and by paragraph 10 (as amended in its application to the Company) of Part II of the First Schedule thereto. Under that paragraph, the required rate of dividend on the Ordinary Capital of the Company was 4 per cent. but, by the Trustee Investments (Water Companies) Order, 1973, such rate was reduced to 2.6 per cent. in relation to dividends paid during any year after 1972.

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Tenders for the Stock must be made on the Form of Tender supplied with the Prospectus and must be accompanied by a deposit of £10 per £100 nominal amount of Stock applied for and sent in a sealed envelope to Deloitte & Co., New Issues Department, P.O. Box 207, 128, Queen Victoria Street, London EC4P 4JX marked "Tender for North Surrey Water Stock", so as to be received not later than 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 10th June, 1975. The balance of the purchase money is to be paid on or before Monday, 30th June, 1975.

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Barclays Bank Limited,
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or from the Principal Office of the Company, The Causeway, Staines, Middlesex.

Business appointments

Mr R Cohen joins Rank Organisation board

Mr R. F. H. Cohen has joined the board of the Rank Organisation.

Mr M. A. R. Young-Herries has been appointed a deputy chairman of the Royal Bank of Scotland as from July 1.

After the purchase of the Anglo-Portuguese Bank by the Norwich Union, the board of the bank has been reconstituted and initially it will compromise: The Marquess Townshend of Raynham (chairman), Mr P. M. Bunce, Mr G.C. Lard Mr C. H. Moore and Mr P. W. Sharman. Mr G. C. Lard has been appointed joint general manager of the Anglo-Portuguese Bank, operating jointly with Mr Bunce who will continue as general manager.

Mr John Grenside, a partner of Peat, Marwick Mitchell, has succeeded Mr Kenneth Sharp as president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. Mr Stanley Kitchen becomes deputy president and Mr Brian Maynard, a senior partner in Coopers & Lybrand, vice-president.

Mr J. Forsyth joins the main board of LRC International.

Mr J. Guthrie has been appointed to the board of Bertrams.

Mr W. Barnes succeeds Mr Cyril Colton as chairman of the British Man-Made Fibres Federation. Mr Colton becomes president.

Mr Eric Gregory has been made a director of Ace Textiles.

Mr John Warbey has been appointed finance director of Caxton Publishing.

Mr W. A. Handley has become director and general manager of Innsworth Metals Division of Dowty Hydraulic Units.

Mr Richard Amiss and Mr Peter Trew will represent the National Federation of Building Trades Employers on the council of the Confederation of British Industry.

Mr S. H. Martin has been made National Westminster Bank's management development manager following the retirement of Mr J. Dixon.

After reorganization, the BOCM Silcock board now comprises: Mr F. H. Saint, chairman; Mr S. Thompson, corporate services director; Mr K. Chambers, commercial director; Mr M. G. Heron, feeds director; Mr G. B. Jones, development director; Dr D. R. Lockhart, raw materials director, and Mr K. J. Arnott, director.

Mr Desmond English has been appointed managing director of Spicer-Cowan (Ireland).

Brigadier-General I. R. R. Hollyer has become chief executive of Mears Bros Holdings.

Mr David Pickard has become a management partner in Conrad Ritblat.

Professor A. J. W. Merrett has joined the board of E. C. Cases.

Mr Charles Love has been made Barclays Group representative in Manila, Philippines. He will have the title of senior vice-president.

Mr G. Esam has been appointed chief advances manager of National Westminster Bank's domestic banking division, succeeding Mr P. C. Dodds, who becomes the division's deputy general manager.

Mr Robert Hermans has become managing director of Philip Morris & Co. He has also been made a director of Philip Morris Group.

Sir James Whitaker has been appointed a director of The Moorside Trust and of its wholly-owned subsidiary Second Moorside Trust.

Mr Terry Day has become financial director of Ashford Controls.

Chrysler men set to seek improved deal as strike at Coventry ends

By R. W. Shakespeare

The month-old strike at Chrysler's Stoke (Coventry) engines plant, which has halted all the company's car production in Britain, ended last night.

At a meeting earlier the 4,000 strikers voted overwhelmingly to support a shop stewards' recommendation to resume work on the evening shift.

This means that by tonight Chrysler will be able to recall a further 7,500 workers who have been laid off from the car assembly centres at Ryton, Coventry, and Linwood, Scotland, where the standstill has meant production losses of about £1m a day.

Shop stewards at the Stoke plant had decided on Monday to recommend an end to the strike. This followed Chrysler's announcement of new pay proposals covering all of its 29,000 workers in Britain. These proposals will raise basic pay scales by a minimum £8 a week —with more for the Scottish workers—and increase the actual earnings of most workers by between £10 and £12.50 a week.

At yesterday's five-minute meeting spokesmen for the shop stewards made it clear that the pay battle is not over. They will seek to improve the deal—which is due to take effect at the end of this month—in a series of plant level negotiations.

Mr Duncan Simpson, chairman of the joint shop stewards' committee, said: "Although many stewards felt that the wages fight should go on, we decided that the Stoke workers could not continue in isolation. Now every plant must be involved in trying to get the offer improved."

Shop stewards at the Scottish plant have already indicated that they regard the pay proposals as unacceptable and will continue to press a claim for 30 per cent increases in basic rates.

Chrysler looks like running into more trouble over its far-reaching proposals for power sharing through worker participation in management. The company has offered two bonuses, each of £50 a head, to all workers if its proposals are implemented by the end of the year, but at yesterday's meeting in Coventry shop stewards rejected the plan. They said there were "too many strings attached".

Meanwhile, there is no sign of an end to the seven-week-old strike at Ford's Dagenham car plant, where 5,000 workers have been made idle. The stoppage is by 80 door hangers and welders, who are protesting about management plans to reduce manning scales.

Ford has lost more than £20m worth of production because of the dispute. Yesterday the national executive of the Transport and General Workers' Union—one of the three unions to which the strikers belong—gave official backing to the stoppage.

Further fall forecast in home appliance sales

By David Young

One of the findings of a Neddy investigation into the effects of higher VAT rates on the British domestic appliance industry is that homes sales will fall in the next 12 months by up to 20 per cent below previous forecasts.

A report by a working group of the Electrical Engineering Economic Development committee says it is concerned at what it sees as a serious setback to the growth and stability of this sector of industry.

It believes that the industry will postpone or abandon some investment projects involving appliances which bear the higher VAT rate.

The 49 companies which cooperated in this investigation believed that the introduction of VAT would lead to greater stability and a firmer basis for investment after their experience of constantly changing purchase tax and credit controls. Investment programmes had been drawn up on this basis.

However, the industry now regards the introduction of a multi-rate VAT system as a step back to the days when this sector of industry was discriminated against and used as an economic regulator.

Uncertainties and lack of confidence are seen as damaging to the long-term interests of the domestic appliance sector.

Some companies expected sales to fall by 10 to 20 per cent, while others estimated the decrease at 20 to 50 per cent.

Several companies had decided to abandon new projects and take to purchasing abroad. Half of the companies said that they would be revising investment plans

However, no closures were planned although many companies said that staff would fall by natural wastage. As yet it was too early to draw up plans for short-time working.

Court ruling awaited on Massey sit-in

Shop-floor leaders of about 4,500 Massey-Ferguson workers, who are in the seventh week of their strike and occupation of the company's Coventry tractor plant, say they will wait for the outcome of a High Court action tomorrow before deciding on their next moves. An actiou for possession of the factory premises has been brought by the company, which claims management and staff employees are being refused access by pickers.

The tractor plant, in Banner Lane, Coventry, has a troubled labour relations history, and the present strike over wage demands is costing more than £600,000 a day in lost production, with no sign of any break in the deadlock. An offer of another £7.44 a week has been rejected by the workers, whose average wage is £55. They have demanded a substantial increase.

Bleak year seen for Italy's chief industries

Milan, June 4.—Italy's State Board for Economic Planning today forecast a bleak 1975 for some main industrial sectors, namely iron and steel, construction, machinery, foodstuffs, rubber and vehicles.

Domestic consumption of steel expected to drop 25 per cent from the 1974 level to 17 million metric tons this year. To keep production levels equal to the 24 million tons of 1974, steel concerns should export at least 6.5 million tons. But the board said this could be hardly achieved in the light of a probable drop of about 5 per cent in world consumption.

London tourism needs 50 pc boost, hotels chief says

A call for a 50 per cent growth in overseas tourists to London was made yesterday by Mr M. A. Bosman, chairman of EMI Hotels and Restaurants, part of one of the country's biggest leisure groups.

Mr. Bosman also wants a similar increase in the number of conference visitors to be set as a short term target by the London tourist authorities.

He said cost inflation and a slackening in the growth of incoming tourists had sharply affected hotel profitability and the industry was doing little better than breaking even in London.

Liverpool port workers agree to end dispute

After 13 days, the unofficial strike in support of a £12 increase by more than 300 shore gang men in Liverpool was called off yesterday. There will be a full resumption this morning. The strike has disrupted the port.

The men, members of the Transport and General Workers' Union, voted unanimously at a meeting in Liverpool to accept an increased pay offer recommended by their negotiators.

This is for an additional £6.50, made up of a £5 payment to do away with the special award system and a £1.50 cost of living bonus.

Unions seek talks with Leyland on participation

By Our Midland Industrial Correspondent

National officials and shop stewards of the motor unions are seeking an urgent meeting with Mr Alec Park, managing director of British Leyland, to discuss the setting up of the joint management-union councils recommended by the Ryder Report.

The move follows a meeting in Birmingham yesterday of 500 British Leyland shop stewards. They were addressed by Mr Moss Evans and Mr Grenville Hawley, the Transport & General Workers' Union top motor industry negotiators and Mr Bob Wright, Midland member of the national executive of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers.

At a press conference later Mr Wright said: "We are critical of the Ryder proposals on worker participation because they could be interpreted as stopping short of actual participation in decision-making at the highest level.

"There are provisions for joint committees in the car and truck companies but nothing at corporate level.

He said the union wanted "a full say" in how the proposed £2,000m government investment should be used

Mr Wright said he was not referring to worker representation on British Leyland's main board. That was a separate issue to the setting up of joint committees. But he hinted that the unions are pressing the Government in consultation with the TUC to nominate one or more Leyland directors representing organized labour.

Norway may buy Reksten shareholding

Oslo, June 4.—Informed sources said the Norwegian government had earmarked 200m kroner (£17.5m) to buy from Hambros Bank shares deposited by Mr Hilmar Reksten, the Norwegian shipowner.

Most of the shares are in Norsk Hydro, but include other shipping and industrial shares, the sources said.

Mr Reksten has been ordered by an arbitration court to pay the Aker group of shipyards 234m kroner in damages.

A statement made by Mr Reksten in Norway and issued in London said that at a meeting in Norway on Tuesday between Mr Reksten and all the biggest lenders and contracting parties, it was agreed that "discussions between them will continue with the intention of finding solutions which under the prevailing circumstances will prove acceptable."

Loan guarantee: Informed sources said the Norwegian government was likely to make a state guarantee of up to 500m kroner for loans made by the Aker group of shipyards

Sugar beet crop in UK should be better this year

By Hugh Clayton

Beet grown in Britain this year was likely to produce more than 850,000 tons of refined sugar, Mr John Oldfield, agricultural director of the British Sugar Corporation, said yesterday. This would be more than half as much again as last year but less than in 1973/74.

Mr Oldfield said at the corporation's spring demonstration near Kidderminster, Worcestershire, that 98 per cent of the national acreage had now been drilled. That represented 480,000 acres.

"The crop is in a very much better condition than it was at the corresponding time last year", he said. The crop was unusually late, but unlike last year the beet was growing quickly through the period in which it was most exposed to pests.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Purer mathematics on pensions, interest rates and effects of inflation

From The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP for Surrey East

Sir, Public examinations in mathematics are an unnerving experience. But before Mr Lomas accuses me of "dubious arithmetic", he ought to look to his own.

A sum of £410,000 earning interest at 18 per cent would support a pension of £9,340 per annum increasing at the rate of 20 per cent each year for about 33 years, not 190 as Mr Lomas claims.

However, more dubious than his arithmetic is his assumption of a yield of 18 per cent. It is true that some long-term investments, in particular some industrial debentures and convertible loan stocks, can be purchased at present to yield over 18 per cent, but in many such cases only with a significant attendant risk of there turning out to be no yield at all. No prudent pensions fund manager would place anything like all his assets in such investments.

In my speech I mentioned the sum required to "buy" a pension of £9,340 per annum increasing at 20 per cent each year. Of course, no insurance company would quote for such an annuity (as I said, it is "literally priceless"). But, for the purpose of putting a value on it, I assumed an interest rate of 12 per cent.

This is in line with the basis currently being used by many insurance companies for their annuity rates, and also with the sort of yield which a prudently invested pension fund might hope to achieve. Incidentally, of course it implies a negative real rate of return. That was precisely my point; but then so does Mr Lomas's choice of 18 per cent interest coupled with 20 per cent inflation.

Perhaps I may be allowed to stress again the four main points that I was concerned to make:

First, I am not opposed to the idea of inflation-proofed pensions. Conservatives established this principle. I should like everyone to be able to take advantage of it.

Second, there is, however, a very great danger that the resources of taxpayers generally, by whom they are to a large extent funded, will be insufficient to meet the public sector pension bill if inflation continues at anything like its present rate.

Third, moreover, again as a consequence of inflation, there is a large and growing gap (both in terms of standards and of the impact of taxation) between public service pensioners and those who are dependent on private pension schemes—still more those who are dependent on income from their own invested savings.

Finally, when the present Government put forward statistics about the distribution of wealth in this country, they do so on an entirely misleading basis when they overlook the capital value of pensions, whether public or private.

For all these reasons, public service pensioners are as much concerned as anybody else to see that inflation is brought under control. I have, of course, made many speeches on that fundamental topic and shall continue to do so.

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY HOWE,
House of Commons.

Why many managers want to leave UK

From Mr D. W. Etheridge

Sir, In addition to the large number of British managers who have already left this country, there are many more who are considering doing so. A recent survey carried out by my firm shows that 79 per cent of British managers are interested in moving abroad and 33 per cent are very interested.

The reasons given (high taxation by 87 per cent; low managerial salaries 84 per cent; the economic, political and social climate of this country, 80 per cent), suggest that the loss of confidence amongst those on whom we most depend for our economic recovery, must now be a major cause of concern.

One of the tasks of an government must surely be to ensure that the managerial classes are provided with the social and economic conditions and realistic incentives necessary to keep them hard at work in their native land. Failure to do this inevitably must destroy the very basis of our prosperity.

Any suggestion that there are ample numbers of competent replacements is flying in the face of reality. We are in Britain chronically short of skilled and trained professional managers.

Contrary to popular belief management itself is a highly skilled trade, and the idea that those who have proved themselves can be automatically replaced by those who have not is as facile as to suggest that England's second best football eleven will perform as well as the first eleven.

The onus must be upon all of us to try to bring this point to the notice of a particularly unresponsive Government.

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Reforming the company insolvency situation

From Mr J. R. M. Lowe

Sir, May I be permitted to raise the following points with regard to your financial editor's comments on the reform of company insolvency law.

Firstly, his comments about the difficulties which the major creditors may have in persuading the smaller fry not to "rock the boat" when a moratorium on the payment of debts is proposed give cause for concern.

The existing provisions under section 206 of the Companies Act, 1948, quite properly require that the proposed composition or arrangement should be approved by a majority, in number representing three-fourths in value of the creditors present and voting at the meeting, in addition to being sanctioned by the court. (Section 306, which applies in the event of a winding-up, is stricter, requiring the approval of three-fourths in number and value).

Any lesser requirement would amount to an unacceptable diminution of the smaller creditors' right to object to such a scheme, particularly where, as is often the case, the smaller creditors are also smaller businesses trading with very tight budgets (and currently being squeezed even tighter by their larger trading partners).

Secondly, section 332 should not constitute a bar to a company continuing to trade under the terms of a proper arrangement with its creditors. That section imposes liabilities on those who are knowingly parties to the company carrying on business "with intent to defraud creditors . . . or for any fraudulent purpose".

While continuing to incur liabilities for the company in the knowledge that these cannot be met may indicate such intent in certain cases, it is quite clear that liability under section 332 requires proof of actual dishonesty amounting to fraud (Re Patrick & Lyon Ltd. [1932] 2 Ch. 71), which is unlikely to exist where the creditors are in full possession of the facts of the company's financial situation; and it can hardly be the case that a company's directors could be liable for putting into effect a scheme approved by the court.

Thirdly, I would suggest that the "court-creeping" antics of a certain type of American lawyer are common in many areas of law and are a product of the (in many ways beneficial) contingency fee system. Such activities are unlikely to be a problem while the legal profession in this country operates under the existing costs system.

Lastly, the concern expressed with regard to the effect on a company of the operations of a receiver, should perhaps not be directed at the activities of receivers, which, as you point out, are usually quite in accordance with the law, but at the whole question of companies' borrowing powers.

We have become used to the idea of companies having an unrestricted power to borrow money, secured by floating charge over all its assets, to the damnification of ordinary trade creditors when insolvency looms.

Contrary to commercial tradition, this allows the investor (often a bank or company proprietor) to achieve a considerable advantage over the trade creditors (who often do not intend to give credit in the ordinary sense, but have supplied goods or services in the expectation of proper and timely payment) by the now common device of taking a secured debenture rather than the more appropriate risk capital. It is time this situation was reconsidered.

Yours faithfully,
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Government and unions must face facts on capital

From Mr Robin Clark

Sir, If the City is expected to provide the much needed capital to reequip outdated factories the Government and unions must now face the financial facts of life, however socially unacceptable. They must remove the current investment disincentives, namely dividend limitation, investment income surcharge and Mr Benn.

Investment in industry always has been and probably always will be something of a gamble even when backed by new plant and equipment, sound management and good labour relations. Surely investors should be entitled to a greater return than 2p in the £ (net).

If workers are encouraged to expect to be able to maintain their living standards is it so unreasonable that investors should want to maintain the value of their capital?

It would be interesting to measure the flow of capital into industry if, for a trial period, investment income received from industrial companies was exempted from taxation. More interesting, perhaps, if capital was exempted from Wealth Tax while invested in such companies.

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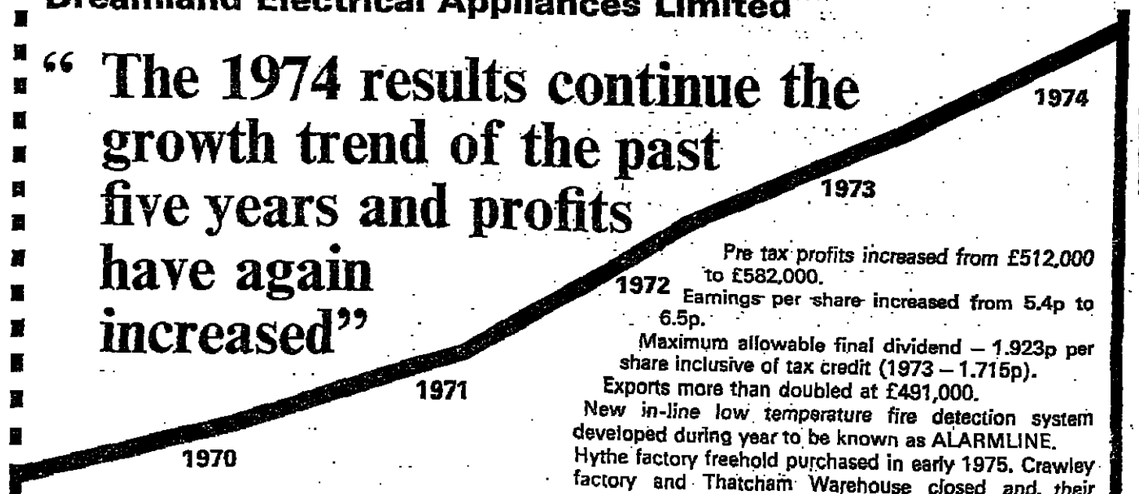
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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

A sour note from P & O



Sir Henry Johnson, chairman of MEPC: takeover speculation in the background.

velopments in the shipping arket have clearly proved ore painful than P & O exected, with the strain of clation on overheads apparent ough from the halving of ofits on a doubling of gross evenues. Not only was the tcome sufficiently below exctation to send the shares 8p wer to 107p, but where the oup was talking in March of 75 profits not being expected breach the 1973 base level of 2.9m, the talk now is of the rrent 15-month outcome only atching that level.

So no recovery in the shipping arket is now being anticipated til 1976, and the timing of any pturn then could be important. & O has already suffered in s bulk shipping division, but ith relatively little exposure in g rankers, it only has one ship rrently laid up, and not until ext year will there be any gnificant increase in free nnage as existing charters run ff. The European and air ansport side is down as is the assenger division, thanks to a oor season in Australia. But he British and American ends re going well, and the general argo division, with around half ts trade to and from the Middle ast, continues to thrive. Likevise, the other activities, with Sovis turning in a significant ontribution.

The problems, of course, lie n soaring costs and in the ssociates, where profits are down from £11.4m to £6.4m. The first half has demonstrated how quickly matters can deteriorate and, unless the revival comes fairly early next year, 1976 could be fraught. The shares remain risky, with a little compensation from a 7.8 per cent yield, even assuming maximum payout.

Interim: 1974/75 (1973/74)
Capitalization £151m
Revenue £289m (£139m)
Pre-tax profits £13.6m (£26.3m)
Dividend gross 3.46p (2.99p)

Coats Patons

What happened at the meeting

If noise is any reliable guide to future action, north bound carriageways will soon be filled with irate fund managers making their way to Coats Patons' annual meeting in Glasgow. But noise and action where institutional shareholders are concerned are often two different things and it remains to be seen how far individual funds are prepared to press their case this time.

For I gather that no one is convinced by Coats's arguments so far. Or, as one eyewitness who was last week swamped by anguished phone calls from fund managers put it, "no one has ever rung me up to say they now think it is a good idea". Tuesday's meeting appears to have aroused some interesting emotions among the assembled investment community. Amidst calculated references to shareholders as "proprietors" of the company, it was argued that a major group should not change its investment status overnight. There was some feeling that Coats could, and should, have consulted with the institutions before dropping its final so as to overcome its ACT problem, while the notion of the 1-for-25 scrip issue in lieu was treated with some contempt.

But no one made any significant dent in Coats's tax and accounting logic, although one could, apparently, have heard a share price drop, when the chairman indicated that the group could have paid its final if there had been no tax relief on stock profits. It is absurdities like that, which are no fault of Coats, that have been highlighted by the company's action.

It is to be hoped that umbrella bodies like the Investment Protection Committees will, when they shortly make recommendation on Coats to their members, expend some of their criticism on the confusing and conflicting situations created by the present fiscal structure. As for Coats, yesterday's meeting with its Scottish institutional shareholders could have proved more amicable. The latter's publicly announced distate for the rash of rights issues earlier this year appears to have been an important influence on the group's current thinking.

MEPC

Up against the realities

So the bears were right. MEPC has passed its interim dividend and left a large question mark overhanging even a nominal final since trustee status would not be affected this year as last year's final was paid this January.

The effect of a rapid development programme world-wide in the early 1970s has come up against the realities of the present situation. Rather than capitalize development costs as in the past, progress on several major projects in the United Kingdom has been halted and the £3m holding costs charged to revenue, a policy certain to continue until the full implications of the Community Land Bill are known. That the lifting of the rent freeze is little consolation given that loss of profit here amounted to a mere £1m during the interim period to be set against over £1m of losses on housebuilding world-wide, some £964,000 of non-recoverable debts associated with the Manhattan Centre development in Brussels and a £2.57m jump to £16.7m in interim interest charges—a figure likely to be repeated this time round.

A dangerous position appears to be building up in the copper market. By last weekend, stocks held by London Metal Exchange warehouses had reached record levels of just under 250,000 tonnes, worth some £130m at current prices—around £530 a tonne. United States demand for copper is still falling; total requirements for 1975 around half 1974's 1.7 million tonnes.

Meanwhile Japanese stocks are in excess of 250,000 tonnes. Market support for copper on the LME reflects speculative investment demand, largely on the view that the United States economy will revive later this year. But if this proves wrong and traders have difficulty closing forward positions, forced selling could force the copper price down sharply.

Below the line, provisions totalling nearly £1.9m have been charged as an extraordinary item due to possible losses on the Middle Harbour development in Australia. Total Australian assets amount to £50m out of a total property portfolio of £605m. In Brussels, Manhattan is only 40 per cent let, breakeven is 80 per cent, and the market continues weak.

Around half of the £150m outstanding development programme should be completed within the next two to three years. Meanwhile, debt since March has increased by £20m or so in loan capital, offset by an £8m drop in short-term borrowings. While debt ratios may not be too onerous, there is a hard struggle ahead, and the discount of 40 per cent on the last disclosed net asset value appears generous. At 131p, MEPC shares will find few friends—unless those takeover rumours take hold.

Interim: 1974-75 (1973-74)
Capitalization £138m
Pre-tax profits £0.07m (£8.61m)
Dividend gross nil (1.87p)

Phoenix

A receptive market

Composite insurance groups—and Phoenix is the latest—appear to have got their timing just right over rights issues and for a number of different reasons.

First, the market is highly receptive to any good overseas currency hedge stock, particularly where there are strong recovery prospects. The composites' involvement is in the United States market, as well as in Australia and Canada. In all three territories recovery is expected by 1976.

Secondly, underwriters are politically in a stronger position now to raise premiums in line with inflation in many parts of the world and thus to speed the underwriting recovery. That presupposes though some increase in the capital base on which they can write higher premium volumes, pending the time when extra cash flow gets through to reserves.

This might just have been achieved without a composite sector funding operation, given the general improvement in stock market levels, had it not been for the imminence of new Department of Trade regulations. Here the life offices, too, are affected and, as Pru said last month, the expected new statutory basis of asset valuation could reduce its end-1974 solvency margin from 37 per cent to around 21 per cent. Phoenix is not spelling out the effects so explicitly but the effect on the present solvency margin of around 40 per cent would obviously be marked here too.

What the investor and policyholder has to bear in mind is that though assets such as quoted or unquoted investments and property may not be admissible in full in future (or at all in the case of goodwill) where they represent a substantial part of the total portfolio, they are still notionally available in full to shareholders and policyholders.

Meanwhile, Phoenix's first quarter figures bring no surprises, a half of the profits fall being attributable to the United States and the rest mainly to Australia and Canada. The forecast of an at least maintained dividend on the enlarged capital implies a yield of 5.7 per cent at the ex-rights price of 223p.

1st Quarter: 1975/74 (1973/74)
Capitalization £110m
Premiums written £59.2m* (£44.4m)
Pre-tax profits £2.86m (£3.58m)
*Including Century Insurance.

Hovercraft makers poised for a Channel battle

Michael Baily

There are disconcerting signs that once again the commercial fruits of British invention may be snatched by someone else.

Cancellation of the Channel tunnel has given the hovercraft the best chance it is ever likely to have to establish itself as a permanent major force in cross-Channel transport. But it is the French rather than the British who are poised to take advantage of it.

After being hardly in the marine game at all during these gruelling 20 years since Cockerell's invention, they will be first in the field with a truly second-generation large hovercraft, the Sedam N500. Now under construction at various factories in France, it is due to enter service on the Gironde in 1977 and the Channel in 1978.

Bigger than Britain's SRN4 and with an interesting new skirt, lift, and propulsion systems, it can be ordered for about £7m for delivery in three years' time. It is a formidable challenger to Britain's present supremacy in the field, and the British Hovercraft Corporation is aware of it.

Cancellation of the Channel tunnel could hardly have come at a better time for hovercraft. It throws up a requirement for substantial new capacity just when the first generation craft have finally succeeded in proving their reliability, passenger appeal, and (in the case of Hoverlloyd) profitability.

Meanwhile, the second generation craft are looming up with promise of much better economics and performance when the cost of both buying and operating new ships is rocketing. A new ferry costs £9m or more, and the seamen are seeking a 100 per cent wage rise.

Coopers and Lybrand, in their cost-benefit report on the tunnel in 1973, predicted that cross-Channel traffic would double by 1980 and double again by 1990. These estimates have been shot down in flames, but it would still be reasonable to assume a 40 to 50 per cent growth from last year's 4,500,000 passengers and 1,500,000 cars by 1980, and 50-100 per cent again by 1990.

Instead of the 70-90 new ferries predicted by Coopers and Lybrand in the absence of a tunnel, there could well be a need for 40 to 50 by 1990. How many will be hovercraft?

Last year five hovercraft carried 24 per cent of cars and 30 per cent of passengers across the Channel, and BHC say that 10 second-generation craft could carry 40 per cent of the 1990 market. It seems a not unreasonable target if the new craft live up to expectations.

Their bid for this market, the BH88, would be roughly equivalent to the Sedam 500, though obviously they think better because it would incorporate the lessons of huge experience in the field. It would be not much bigger than the N4 because too-big craft would dissipate one of the hovercraft's greatest market advantages—frequent, flexible timerabling.

With room for 400 passengers and 59 cars compared with the N4's 280 and 37, 55 knots cruising speed instead of 50 and the ability to operate in up to Force Nine weather instead of Force Seven, it would have about double the annual output of either an N4 or a ship on present performance.

So on paper an operator would get from ten BH 88s costing £70m (1975 prices) the same output as from 20 ships costing up to £200m. Equally important, new skirts, power units and improved engineering generally would halve the hovercraft's current operating costs and make it competitive with ships, BHC claim.

This persuasive case obviously contains some unknown factors and omissions. For instance, a ship carries freight too, and indeed may get more than half its revenue that way. And ships have enormous unused capacity which could be better filled if, as is intended, the pricing structure on the Channel is changed in line with last year's Monopolies Commission recommendations.

There is one aspect of the ship scene that could work in the hovercraft's favour, though. Higher costs and the need for better utilization could bring about a gradual replacement of today's year-round combined passenger and freight carrier with two different types of vessel in the future—a year-round freight-carrier with limited passenger accommodation, and a summer-only, no-frills passenger carrier for the big seasonal peaks. Those high-capacity summer carriers could be hovercraft.

Hovercraft will never take over from ships or, probably, even get half the market; but clearly there is a lot to play for at the present time. The French will have four Sedam 500s by 1978, financed half by the French Government and half by banks. The BH 88 is at an earlier stage and could probably not be delivered before 1981, when the existing N4s will be about due for replacement.

BHC are putting £500,000 of their own funds into R and D for the BH 88 in 1975-76, the Government having withdrawn from the scene two years ago with its terminal special assistance (sometimes known as the funeral grant) of under £2m for the entire industry.

Meanwhile BHC could build another standard N4 for Hoverlloyd, which expects booming traffic and really big profits this year; and are pressing British Rail Seaspeed to spend £5m on lengthening its two N4s to give them roughly the carrying capacity (but not the advanced technology) of a BH 88.

It could be a good investment for British Rail with a 25 per cent return from 1977 on. But the Railways Board has plenty of other demands for what capital it can lay its hands on, and behind it lie the Department of the Environment and the Treasury, frantically trying to cut down on public sector spending. So it is far from cut and dried.

Failure to get this work would not break BHC, most of whose £7m annual output is military and other special purpose craft for export. But the Channel is now potentially the richest prize, and it would be a pity if the pioneers lost impetus within sight of it.

The toy industry tightrope

Mettoy, the toymaker which is probably the biggest manufacturer of sports and playballs in Europe, was on a four-day week at its Northampton factory earlier this year. That is its ball production centre where the workforce of 500 is only a sixth of that at the Swansea factory.

Sales had been patchy with wholesalers and retailers loath to commit cash to stock when over-the-counter trade had not been encouraging. Generally manufacturers' own cash-flow problems have made them equally unwilling to act as fully their traditional role of banker to the sales end of the trade.

But the Northampton factory is now back on full time, and with all the British toymakers looking more abroad for expansion, the latest surprising fillip from a successful Mettoy trade foray to Japan has been to sell playballs even there.

This Mettoy experience is typical of an industry which, after high production and profits in 1974, went into the current year with almost as many misgivings as any other group of manufacturers.

The recent government rescue of the ailing Tri-ang Pedigree company—via a one-third equity stake and cash guarantees for the new owners, Airfix Industries — is unlikely to be the herald of a crop of major failures in the toy world. It was, anyway about the last rattle from the old Lines Brothers skeleton.

If any industry in this country is going to be recession-resilient then it could be the toymakers, worth last yeur around £150m in turnover with 10 companies dominating the other 340.

There are problems looming, especially for small manufacturers. Retailers have this year been tending to buy the security of well-known branded goods from the big makers, while accepting the narrower profit margins such playing safe involves.

But not all makers have been hit by short-time this year. Particularly those operating at or near the pocket-money end of the market appear to have been best off in terms of production continuity. Some manufacturers see evidence of buying resistance setting in on toys costing more than £5 to £7.

But from the big producers, in varying degrees, is coming a guarded optimism, with probably the most cheerful assessment emerging from Mr Arthur Katz, deputy chairman of Mettoy and president of the British Toy Manufacturers Association.

Mettoy, whose range includes Corgi and Fisher-Price toys, reckons that the retail end summer trade has not yet been going too well, after a slow Easter.

But generally manufacturing is being pushed to build stocks to ensure prompt deliveries, given that orders are tending to come in with only a three to four weeks lead time against the usual three months.

Mr Katz said: "Deliveries overall have been good. There should be at least 5 per cent real growth over last year; indeed a 10 per cent volume increase seems to me a real possibility."

One issue for the industry is likely to be how far the market would stand another price increase this year. Prices climbed between 20 and 25 per cent in the 12 months to last January and some makers in the past few weeks have raised some prices between 5 and 10 per 50p cent, largely because of increased wage and general running costs and overheads.

Mr Ralph Ehrmann, chairman of Airfix, whose range includes Meccano and Dinky, is one who, against a background of better week-to-week sales than last year, believes that any clipping of spending on big consumer durables leaves more money for items like toys.

There is also wide support for the theory that the last thing, at birthdays and Christmas at any rate, which hard-pressed relatives will cut out will be presents for children.

At Lesney Products, the Matchbox company, Mr Leslie Smith, managing director, commented: "Nothing dramatic has happened so far with short-time working. All you can do is build stocks until the cash runs out."

One difficulty about current short-term ordering is that the eventual Christmas ordering—about 70 per cent of annual sales—might come so late as to overtax an industry that might have understocked because of cash-flow problems.

But as Mr Smith, one of the least optimistic of the big 10—despite Lesney's excellent results last year, reflected by others including Dunbee-Combex-Marx—put it: "We are surviving, make no mistake. And Christmas will come."

Derek Harris

Tomorrow dawns the old day

Today we vote. Tomorrow we face reality once more. That reality will be little affected by the result of the referendum because it is a reality of economic survival during the next few years, whereas the referendum, if it is about anything, is about dangers and opportunities which will take decades, even centuries, to mature.

In passing let me offer my own ready-reckoner for deciding how to vote today. Ask yourself two questions. First, do I believe: (a) that the nation-state—politically independent, legally autonomous, economically self-reliant, sometimes self-protective, militarily aspiring to its own defence, emotionally the first focus of popular loyalties and internationally the chief vehicle of achievement and reputation—is a favourable principle of political organization for the prosperity, security and liberties of myself, my children and my children's children; or

(b) that, instead, first priority should be given to the development of a world (and an intranational order) in which the opportunities and welfare of individuals is secured by universal rules, in which a man's rights depend not on his passport but on his humanity and in which the mutual advantages of unimpeded exchange between people whoever they may be are presumed to exceed the advantages to the individual of participating in national achievements.

Secondly, do I see the EEC as: (a) a first step down the road towards such an order, leading on by imaginable stages to a wider and wider combination of such regional blocks until in the end atru ly world order is established and until world citizenship finally displaces national and community siizenship; or

(b) the embryo of a bigger and better nation-state than the old mini-states of western Europe, more capable of playing the traditional role of the nation-state in a world of superpowers and of politically self-conscious regional blocks, thereby aspiring to do in the twenty-first century for (and to) the individual citizen what the smaller nation-states did in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries when Europe seemed to be the world.

Then perm your answers. If you have chosen (a)-and-(b) or (b)-and-(a), you vote Yes. If you have chosen (a)-and-(a) or (b)-and-(b), you vore No. This also explains the curious alliances in the referendum the questions, either because you do not care much whether the political organization of the world is based on nation-states or because you do not think that the EEC is going to develop into anything more than a limited economic arrangement or even to last at all, then it probably does not much matter how you vote.

Meanwhile, back to the more ephemeral, but more pressing, matter of economic survival over the next few years. The problem by now is all too familiar. We have managed for 30 years to reconcile—or rather to postpone the realization of the irreconcilability of—the basic desiderata of our political economy by progressively and at an accelerating rate debasing the currency.

By this means we have broadly maintained the full employment that democratic consent to parliamentary government requires, while at the same time permitting collective pay bargaining to increase monetary rewards faster than we were increasing output per man. Moreover, we have blunted political reaction to rising prices—even though more governments have in practice been turned out of office since the war for this reason than for any other—by deceptive cyclical sequences of recession and incomes policies which enabled politicians, and newspapers, to pretend that an era of stable prices was just round the corner.

When the inevitable reflation and free-for-alls returned, few were heard to protest that the next and higher inflation peak was being established; and so from cycle to cycle we dodged from frying pan to fire and from fire to frying pan, with the rate of inflation required to deliver a given (actually a declining) degree of employment with free (often not even free) collective bargaining steadily, indeed exponentially, rising.

Where are we now? Probably at the cyclical peak of the present step-up in inflation. Despite the substantial amount of suppressed inflation still to emerge over the next 12 months into prices in the shops and despite the huge rise in labour costs which the pay round now ending has added, some easing in the officially measured rate of price increases is likely from July, when the bulk of the budgetary and other public sector increases in taxes and charges will have worked through.

Moreover, we are now in the grip of a very powerfully established recession, which could scarcely end before the end of 1976, even if the Chancellor were to pull out all the reflationary stops in the manner of Messrs Heath and Barber in 1971 and 1972. In fact, Mr Healey shows every sign of being determined that the deflationary effects of excessive pay settlements interacting with a moderate growth in monetary demand should have every opportunity to fulfil themselves in a steeply rising unemployment rate, in the knowledge that sooner or later an equilibrium must be found between the inflationary impetus of collective bargaining and the disinflationary effect of high unemployment.

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Economics Editor

The question of the next year is whether that equilibrium will be found to be within or without the political tolerances of the system. An effective temporary pay restraint policy, for which Mr Healey will be busy negotiating all summer with trade union leaders, would temporarily reduce the unemployment level at which the equilibrium would occur and would thereby bring it nearer to, or further within, the political tolerances.

It may well be that a much higher rate of unemployment than any would have supposed two years ago is politically practicable. It may further be that, with or without a reinforced social contract, the next pay round will be found to be much more responsive to recessionary conditions than many (except some monetarists) have recently supposed, particularly if in the public sector the Government itself refrains from scoring too many own goals.

The importance of this summer's manoeuvres lies, therefore, not so much in the form or severity of whatever new formula for pay restraint supersedes the first social contract formulation as in the degree to which more political time is bought for the Chancellor to feed more unemployment into the pipe-line.

If he can maintain his present posture at least until the next spring budget, perhaps patching up any holes that appear by announcing some cuts in public spending before the summer recess, then 1976 and the early part of 1977 will be beyond reflationary recall.

But the balance of probability must remain that the Government will be forced to move on to the reflationary foot by next spring and that will be too soon to have converted a cyclical easing in inflation into a permanent conquest of accelerating inflation. In that event forecasts of a super-crisis late in 1977 will be fulfilled, though perhaps half a year behind schedule.

Business Diary: After Scanlon • Will Jack be all right?

The election of John Boyd as general secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers may not turn out to be as great a victory for the *moderates* as it first seemed. Two weeks ago he beat his left-wing rival Bob Wright by 164,276 votes to 96,216 in a postal ballot.

The job is the highest administrative post in the union but, as Boyd has discovered, although it gives him influence as head of the machine, it can take away political clout. The first thing to go was his executive council vote, which meant that the president, Hugh Scanlon, was left with the casting vote over the evenly divided left and right.

Then came the loss of negotiating jobs. Boyd has already had to give up his leadership of the negotiating team for steel industry craftsmen to the communist Les Dixon. He may now also lose the atomic energy industry and perhaps his seat on the TUC general council.

The hardest knock of all will come if Boyd is prevented from standing for the presidency when Scanlon retires in 1978. Under AUEW rules a first term in office is three years, and it is not allowed to contest two posts in the same year. Boyd, it is rumoured, will argue that his long stint on the executive qualifies him to go out for five years thus freeing him to contest the presidency, a move which the left-wingers will dispute.

Rover's return

Today the name of Jack Rosbrook means little outside the Coventry plants of Rover Triumph. But within the next few weeks it could figure prominently in the news.

As the newly-appointed staff director in charge of employee relations, policies and planning for British Leyland Cars, 54-year-old Rosbrook will have much to do with the establishment of the joint management-union committees proposed by the Ryder report.

The success—or failure—of these committees could well be the deciding factor in the new British Leyland dispensation. Sir Don Ryder makes great play of the need for worker participation to improve industrial relations in the group's strike-prone Midland car plants.

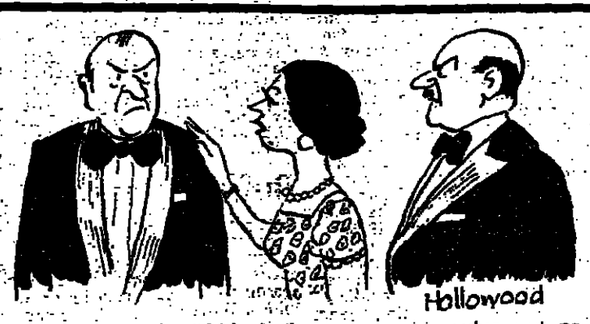
But the constitution of the committees and their responsibilities is completely new ground. There are no similar bodies in the motor industry on which Rosbrook can draw for guidance. Both sides are going into long and dangerous negotiations armed with little more than an intention to play it off the cuff.

Yet all this uncertainty will be familiar ground to Jack Rosbrook. Four years ago, as personnel director of Rover, he masterminded the first switch from piecework to measured day work ever carried out in the corporation's car plants.

It was the pace-setter for the scores of similar deals which have since converted the whole of British Leyland from disruptive piecework.

A colleague told us last night: "That Rover agreement was reached despite dire foreboding from both sides. It took infinite patience and a firm hand when talks looked like bogging down through petty niggling by different sections of the workforce."

Even so Rosbrook may yearn for those days before he emerges from this new minefield.



"Take no notice: he's jealous because you've got no money decreasing inexorably in value."

Victory

Ronald Grenside, who yesterday took over from Kenneth Sharp as president of the Chartered Institute of Accountants in England and Wales, can take little comfort in the last-ditch dithering over the outcome of today's referendum.

Grenside, who is to succeed Sir Ronald Leach as senior partner in Peat, Marwick, Mitchell in London, has for the last two years or so represented British accountants in the Groupe d'Etudes Comptables de la CEE, which represents EEC national accountancy bodies.

His CIAEW deputy will be Stanley Kitchen, a partner in Touche Ross, Birmingham, and their vice-president is Brian Maynard, senior partner in Coopers & Lybrand, London.

Whatever the referendum's outcome, Grenside, Kitchen and Maynard have already savoured one victory. This is over young accountants who believing the institute is top-heavy with older men from big practices to the detriment of the younger men in business were overwhelmingly defeated on a number of motions at this week's annual meeting.

. . . celebration

Fell among whisky-distilling folk for Derby Day David Small and John Dewar, respectively managing director and director of John Dewar & Sons Ltd, were yesterday combining celebrations at their Haymarket fastness of a record £106,465 Derby with the launch of the company's first new brand this century, a 12-year-old vatted malt.

This is Dewar's Pure Malt 12-Year-Old Whisky, a mixture of six or so of the malt whiskies that go into the firm's bread-and butter blend, White Label. The company has got by on this and its Ancestor De Luxe blend—renamed from Victoria Vat in the 1950s after a gentleman's agreement with another DCL subsidiary marketing Vat 69—since it started operating in 1846.

Small said that the malt, which will retail at £4.50 or thereabouts, had been concocted not so much because of home demand as through pressure from the Italians, Dutch and Swiss, who like their drop of malt if only to abash the neighbours.

Business Diary, truth to tell, was clobbered on Dewar's private sweepstake, drawing—rot the nags—Romper and Nobiliary. Small, consolingly, went down with Red Regent and Sea Rake. John Dewar drew Hobnob and Fidian, only to smirk home with Grundy through other private arrangements.

NOTICE OF ISSUE — ABRIDGED PARTICULARS

Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the undermentioned Stock to be admitted to the Official List.

FOLKESTONE AND DISTRICT WATER COMPANY

(Incorporated in England on 9th June, 1848, by The Folkestone Waterworks Act, 1848)

OFFER FOR SALE BY TENDER OF

£1,600,000

9 per cent. Redeemable Preference Stock, 1980

(which will mature for redemption at par on 30th June, 1980.)

Minimum Price of Issue—£99 per £100 Stock

This Stock is an investment authorised by Section 1 of the Trustee Investments Act, 1961 and by paragraph 10 (as amended in its application to the Company) of Part II of the First Schedule thereto. Under that paragraph, the required rate of dividend on the Ordinary Capital of the Company was 4 per cent. but, by the Trustee Investments (Water Companies) Order, 1973, such rate was reduced to 2.5 per cent. in relation to dividends paid during any year after 1972.

The Stock will be entitled to a dividend of 9 per cent per annum without deduction of tax. Under the imputation tax system, the associated tax credit at the rate of advance corporation tax proposed by the Finance (No. 2) Bill (35/65ths of the distribution), is equal to a rate of 4 11/13ths per cent. per annum.

Tenders for the Stock must be made on the Form of Tender supplied with the Prospectus and must be accompanied by a deposit of £10 per £100 nominal amount of Stock applied for and sent in a sealed envelope to Deloitte & Co., New Issues Department, P.O. Box 207, 128, Queen Victoria Street, London EC4P 4JX marked "Tender for Folkestone Water Stock", so as to be received not later than 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 10th June, 1975. The balance of the purchase money is to be paid on or before Monday, 30th June, 1975.

Copies of the Prospectus, on the terms of which alone Tenders will be considered, and Forms of Tender may be obtained from:—

Seymour, Pierce & Co.,
10, Old Jewry, London, EC2R 8EA.

National Westminster Bank Limited,
16, Sandgate Road, Folkestone, Kent CT20 1DP.

or from the Principal Office of the Company, The Cherry Garden, Cherry Garden, Folkestone, Kent CT19 4QB.

British Rollmakers

Rollmakers, manufacturers and distributors of engineers' tools

Year of Progress

At the Annual General Meeting held on 4th June 1975 the Chairman, Mr. D. F. Dodd, reported encouraging results for the first quarter of 1975. A continuing industrial dispute however, at the major Scottish Roll Making Plant, occasioned by a small minority of the work force there, cannot but have an adverse effect on current profitability despite satisfactory results from all the other subsidiaries.

The year in brief

Year ended 29th December

	1974	1973
Turnover	£16,047,000	£13,092,000
Profit before taxation	£1,825,000	£1,525,000
Net profit	£815,000	£733,000
Earnings per share	3.63p	3.26p
Dividend per share (net)	9.50%	9.00%

Copies of the full report and Chairman's statement may be obtained from: The Secretary, British Rollmakers Corporation Ltd., Weston Road, Crewe, CW1 1DB.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Prices firm at close in spite of poor results from leaders

For the second day running proceedings on the London stock market yesterday were dominated by disappointing results from leading companies —in this case P & O and MEPC. But the market's present mood of optimism over the Referendum was not significantly checked and although below their best levels prices were still firm at the close.

By 1 pm the *FT* index had advanced 9.8 but an hour later after the results, had eased to 7.7 points better. At the close the index figure of 359.0 was an improvement of 8.4 over the day and for the second time this week a "high" for the year. Although not unexpected *MEPC's paltry first-half return* and dividend omission gave the market a temporary jolt, and brought to an end an early rally on the property pitch. The shares were smartly marked down to 131p and by the close had lost another penny, a drop of 15p over the session.

P & O's interim figure of around £13m was up to £7m down on market expectations and came as rather more of a surprise. The initial reaction was an 11p mark down of the shares. Gilts stayed at the overnight levels for most of the day.

Growing official opposition to Haw Par's deal, both in London and Singapore, brought selling of London tin shares yesterday. They closed 4p off at 173p, well against the general trend.

Although some analysts deduced encouragement for the future from the MEPC statement related issue like Land Securities (down 5p to 181p) and Artagen (off 3p to 77p) wore a jaded look. In spite of P & O the shipping sector had mixed experience. *Shares like* Ocean, at 107½, and British & Commonwealth (185p) lost 2½p and 5p respectively in sympathy but the speculators came back to Furness Withy, 7p firmer to 229p, and Reardon Smith "A" which moved up to 226p. P & O itself ended 8p off at 107p on its deferred.

Tone among the industrial leaders was generally strong. Glaxo, at 437p, Unilever 408p, and Bowater 178p, all had gains of up to 12p

A £20m cash call by way of a rights from Phoenix was accompanied by lower first-quarter results but after an initial dip the shares ended 4p firmer to 234p. Here the encouragement comes from an increased holding of almost 13 per cent by Friends Provident Life Office. Other shares took their cue and in firm trading Sun Alliance added 5p to 430p and Guardian Royal 7p to 214p.

Elsewhere financial banks were also firm. Although Hambros was left unchanged at 150p after further statements on the Norwegian shipping situation the Clearers had a good day with Midland 7p better to 282p, Natwest 9p to 262p and Lloyds 10p to 255p.

In firm stores Burton (75p), Marks & Spencer (247p) and Gus "A" (201p) all ended up to 4p better but there is now a feeling in the market that the food supermarkets, hedged in by price controls, may be having a bad time and that this may be reflected in some shock results in due course.

Isolated features included Johnson Matthey, where firm metal commodities and a "bear squeeze" brought demand which sent the shares soaring 15p to 345p.

The breakdown of talks with ITT on a bid left the shares of Brocks Group 10p off at 52p. The shares of Mace, Rainbow & Stone, Cornish-based makers of women's clothing and coats, were suspended after the directors had called for the appointment of a receiver.

Companies reporting earlier in the week saw better increases than those with results yesterday. Typical were De La Rue, where the price went up another 10p to 190p, and McCorquodale which had one of the biggest movements of the day with a leap of no less than 19p to 187p.

Yesterday's results left J. Bright (29p) and Coltness (151p) both unchanged, but Rotaprint managed to add a penny to 32p in spite of lower profits, Hickson & Welch closed 7p up to 249p and Fine Art were ahead by 1½p to 171p on a better return.

Of the traders it was left to Charter Consolidated to record the best advance—14p to 193p—after better than expected profits.

Encouraging reports of one of its wells, either in Indonesia or the North Sea, made Ultramar a feature of a very firm oil pitch. The shares closed 9p firmer to 216p. Shell stood at 332p, better by 7p.

In after hours trading property shares continued their decline with MEPC losing another 3p and Land Securities and English Property also easier.

Equity turnover on June 3 was £75.59m (20,781 bargains).

The gilts were very quiet in advance of the referendum. "Shorts" were almost no business and there were no price movements. "Longs" were steady and tended to rise by ¼ point where changed.

Latest dividends

All dividends in new pence or appropriate currencies (and par values)

Company	Ord div	Year ago	Pay date	Year's total	Prev year
Alliance Inv (25p) Fin	2.37	2.2	4/7	3.87	3.6
J. Bibby (10p) Fin	2.21	2.16	22/7	2.94	2.78
John Bright (25p) Fin	1.1	1.05	—	2.05	1.92
Buffelsfontein Fin	105*	105*	—	180*	160*
Fine Art (5p) Fin	0.66	0.68	10/7	1.01	0.92
Griqualand Int	20*	7.5*	—	—	20*
Hickson & Welch (50p) Int	3	2.68	31/8	—	7.91
Philip Hill (25p) Fin	3	2.65	—	5	4.4
Edward Jones (10p)	0.91	0.82†	25/7	0.91	0.82†
MEPC (25p) Int	Nil	1.25	—	—	4
P. & O. Steam (£1) Int	2.25	2	1/10	—	4.98
Polymark (10p) Fin	1.46	0.60†	31/10	1.46	1.35†
Rotaprint (20p) Fin	1.59	1.59	—	2.64	2.64
Sterling Trust (25p) Int	1.4	1.4	1/8	—	3.85
Stilfontein Gold Int	16*	27.5*	—	—	65*
South Roodepoort Fin	Nil	25*	—	20*	25*
West Rand Cons Int	5*	20*	—	—	40*

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax in pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross, multiply the net dividend by 1.54. † Adjusted for scrip. * Cents a share.

Singapore Stock Exchange has serious questions for Haw Par

By Terry Byland

The proposed deal by which Haw Par Brothers International would raise its stake in London Tin Corporation to 51 per cent came under further pressure yesterday both in London and the Far East.

In Singapore, the Stock Exchange asked Haw Par to explain an apparent diminution of $S112.8m in shareholders assets between January and December last year, and the Security Industry Council issued a preliminary ruling that the local Code of Takeovers and Mergers will be applied to the Haw Par proposal. And in London, it was thought yesterday that the matter will soon come before the United Kingdom Panel of Takeovers and Mergers. Haw Par has said it has no intention of bidding for the other 49 per cent of London Tin.

The Haw Par proposals would be affected by a share exchange between Haw Par and Pernas Securities SDN BHD of Malaysia. The plan would give Pernas some 39.7 per cent of an enlarged Haw Par. The Singapore Takeover Code normally *requires a purchaser of more* than 20 per cent of a company's equity to make an all-out bid. The Singapore Stock Exchange is now expected, in the wake of the preliminary ruling from the Security Industry Council, to decide whether Pernas should make a full offer for Haw Par.

The Singapore Exchange has *also asked Haw Par to give de*tails of transfers of its assets between various countries between 1971 and 1974, in view of "an apparent shift" in the location of assets over the past four and a half years.

The Exchange said that its query regarding the apparent diminution of Haw Par assets was derived from a comparison of figures in the offer document issued by Haw Par in January 1974, in pursuance of its take over of Motor & General Underwriters Investment Holdings and statics issued in connexion with the proposed Pernas deal.

The Motor & General offer document put combined net assets at $S234.4m. Statistical documents for the Pernas proposals show net assets $S121.6m. The Exchange said yesterday that it was "unable to understand" the diminution of such a sum of net asset attributable to shareholders. The diminution was approximately $S1.06 a share, said the Exchange.

Shares in Haw Par remain suspended on the Singapore Stock Exchange, which made it clear earlier this week that dealings would not restart until the situation was clarified. But dealings recommenced on Monday on the Malaysia Exchange.

1974: SUBSTANTIAL PROFIT GROWTH

Extract from the Report to Shareholders by Mr Henry Keswick, outgoing Chairman and Managing Director of The Hongkong Land Co. Ltd

Earnings Per Share Up 22%

In 1974 the world's economic growth slowed significantly, but the company's progress was not dampened and the year was a successful one with profits continuing to grow at a substantial rate.

During the year we announced a £51.2 million redevelopment scheme for the Group's Hong Kong Central District properties, the most significant project ever undertaken by Hongkong Land and also the largest building redevelopment scheme in the Colony's history.

Group net profit after tax for 1974 was £14,190,000 (£11,620,000 for 1973), and earnings per share rose 22 per cent. Dividends paid and recommended for 1974 total 2.39 Pence per share — an increase of 12 per cent over 1973. *The dividend cover is 1.24 times.*

In 1974 a further US$25 million nominal of the Group's debentures was raised in the international capital market, making the total nominal debentures outstanding US$75 million. Since the year-end, arrangements have been concluded giving access to loan funds of US$40 million over five years.

We are satisfied that with Shareholder's Funds of US$600 million (US$800 million on the basis of an independent professional valuation made in August 1973), and with a gross annual cash flow of some US$36 million, we have adopted a conservative financial policy, particularly as the Group at present has no major short-term borrowings.

Central Redevelopment Scheme Started

Alexandra House, Stage One of the scheme to redevelop the Group's Hong Kong Central District properties, will be finished in 1976. The completed scheme will increase the company's lettable commercial space by 25 per cent, from 3.1 million to 3.9 million square feet.

In the meantime, all our existing office space in Central Hong Kong continues to be fully let as the market for prime space is still strong. The company has no immediate concern about its continued income from this source.

The World Trade Centre in Causeway Bay (45 per cent owned by the Group) is nearing completion and tenants should be occupying Stage One of the building during 1975. Its Convention Centre is already booked for major international conventions in 1975.

Conversion of the first floor of Union House from offices to a modern shopping and restaurant complex was completed in June 1974.

The 20-storey Macquarie House in Sydney remains fully let with first class tenants and the company's site at Elizabeth Bay Road was sold during the year.

Residential Properties—Demand Strong

The company's portfolio comprises first class apartments and houses for which the demand has remained strong.

May Tower, a 50 per cent owned block of 54 luxury flats was completed and fully let by August 1974. A new wholly-owned development in the same area costing £9.2 million is underway.

Eight houses on The Peak are under construction. One of the houses forms part of the consideration for the purchase of a prime site in Pokfulam adjoining land owned by the Dairy Farm. The full development of all the Group's land holdings in Pokfulam will provide in excess of two million square feet of residential accommodation together with extensive recreational facilities.

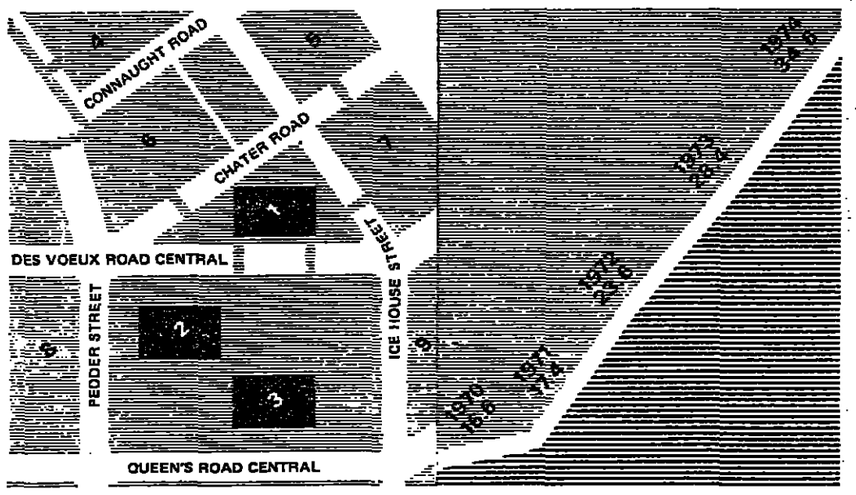
During 1974, the first suburban shopping centre in Hong Kong was opened, followed by another in January 1975. These will be followed in the next two years by three similar centres, increasing the Group's total retail outlets in Hong Kong to 20, with further leased sites under consideration.

Fitzpatrick's in Singapore and Malaysia has traded satisfactorily. The Dairy Farm group's total operations are well based with excellent potential and it is anticipated that net income from all its sources will contribute in increasing proportion to the Group's profits in coming years.

Basic Strengths For The Future

Hongkong Land's basic strengths will enable it to continue to perform favourably in 1975. Earnings are derived principally from commercial buildings in prime locations with office space which has been let at reasonable levels to sound tenants. This revenue will not be seriously affected by the economic downturn, even if that downturn continues during the coming year.

In the medium term with new projects coming on stream, particularly Alexandra House in 1976/77, shareholders can expect a satisfactory growth performance.



THE COMPANY'S CENTRAL DISTRICT PROPERTIES

KEY: 1,2,3 *Central Redevelopment Scheme.* 4 *Connaught Centre.* 5 *Mandarin Hotel.* 6 *Union House.* 7 *Prince's Building.* 8 *Jardine House, 14-16 Pedder Street.* 9 *No.9 Ice House Street.*

EARNINGS PER SHARE IN HONG KONG CENTS

Westlands Gardens, 624 flats built in 50-50 joint venture in Quarry Bay, Hong Kong have been completed. They were all sold in advance.

Hotels Remain Profitable

The Group's hotel interests remain profitable and the expansion programme is continuing.

The Mandarin in Hong Kong showed increased profit and formed a new division, City Taverns Ltd, to operate the Group's taverns and restaurants.

In Hong Kong the Group also have a 10 per cent interest in the Lee Gardens Hotel and a 31 per cent interest in The Excelsior.

The 350-room extension to Bangkok's Oriental Hotel (49 per cent owned) should be completed by the end of 1975.

Two new hotels in the Mandarin chain, in Manila and Jakarta, are planned for completion in 1976 and 1977. They will be owned in joint venture and managed by the Group's subsidiary, Mandarin International Hotels Limited.

Food

The Group's major food interests are held through wholly-owned subsidiaries operating as the Dairy Farm group and incorporating Fitzpatrick's. This sector's profit after tax increased to £3.31 million for 1974 (£3.18 million in 1973).

The underlying financial position is sound and liquidity is more than adequate. Cash requirements for the next few years can be met from existing sources. The Group remains one of the strongest property, leisure and food organisations in South-East Asia.

Henry Keswick, *Chairman*

	1974 £	1973 £
Group profit after tax	14,190,000	11,620,000
Dividends	11,480,000	10,250,000
Shareholders' Funds	244,620,000	244,970,000
Earnings per share	2.95 P	2.42 P
Dividends per share	2.39 P	2.13 P
Net Assets per share	51.17 P	51.17 P

Currency conversions from HK$ made at rate ruling on April 2, 1975.

The Hongkong Land Company Ltd
Gloucester Building, Hong Kong.

Hongkong Land

Good going abroad but Rotaprint still slips

By Andrew Wilson

As the world and particularly the British economy slid into recession last year, demand for Rotaprint's printing machines *eased. While sales rose from* £7.36m to £8.38m, the greater proportion of the gain came from external markets—which went ahead from £2.78m to £3.30m. Even so, pre-tax profits fell from £572,000 to £502,000.

Thanks to the inflationary spiral, bank borrowings jumped from £308,000 to over £700,000 but strict control has contained the rise in stocks to well within the inflation rate to leave them up from £2.29m to just over £2.5m.

There are signs that there could be some levelling in the downturn in demand but they are at best faint. Encouragingly, the Japanese market, Rotaprint's largest individual country, has just doubled its orders. The consumable products activities, papers, inks, plates and so on, which constitute a third of turnover, are also holding up remarkably well everywhere. But cost escalation in the United Kingdom is beginning to blunt the group's competitive edge.

John Bright order book is extremely healthy

The profit growth rate at The John Bright Group, the high technology textile reinforcement company, slipped in the second half of its year to April 5. But profits were still well ahead at £1.2m against £945,000 for the previous year.

External sales rose from just under £14m to £16.2m. Interest on short term loans swelled profits by £125,132 compared with £19,268 in the previous year. Earnings stood at £570,635 compared with £411,206, an increase of nearly 39 per cent.

The company has been increasingly moving away from its traditional role of spinning and weaving industrial textiles. It has moved into the area of heat and adhesive treatment of high tensile products including synthetic materials in the search for specialised products.

Mr Ivo Forde, the chairman, *said yesterday that traditional* work now accounted for only about 30 per cent of turnover.

Order books in the new fields are currently "extremely healthy", he said. One of the growth areas the company is looking to is the expansion of coal mining and quarrying.

Fine Art growth slows

Another record year is reported by Fine Art Developments. Pre-tax profits went ahead by 5.9 per cent to £2.26m, but growth over the year to March 31 slowed down. Interim profits rose by 17 per cent to £624,000, but the second half six months, which provides the bulk of profits, showed a rise of only 2 per cent to £1.64m.

Profits were earned on sales that rose 38.3 per cent to £20.4m, but they suffered from a jump in interest charges from £210,000 to £466,000.

After a loss on the sale and repurchase of a trade investment of £110,000 attributable *profits fell from £1.01m to* £965,000, even so, the dividend rises from 1.37p to 1.53p gross. Earnings a share are 2.96p against 2.8p.

Group properties have been revalued, and now show a surplus of £1.23m over book value.

At the half-way stage, the outlook was for continued progress.

Tozer Kemsley rally delayed

After last year's 32 per cent fall in taxable profits to £2.9m, the board of Tozer Kemsley & Millbourn (Holdings) predicts a better result this year. But *shareholders were warned yes*terday that the rally will not be apparent until the second half. Group results so far in 1975 are in line with the forecast, but "uncommon seasonal fluctuations" will distort the comparison between the first half years of 1974 and 1975.

The annual meeting of the group, whose activities include BMW car importing, timber broking, merchant banking, international financing and food, also heard Mr Kenneth Thorogood say that the group's motor interests have improved. BMW, Mazda GB and Mazda France are making good profits. Results of the food division continue to be disappointing but losses suffered during 1974 are being contained. The wide spread of interests should assist the group.

French Kier outlook

In his annual report, Mr J. Mott, the new chairman of French Kier Holdings says that the W. & C. French (Construction) *subsidiary (which* accounts for about half the turnover) is unlikely to make money this year. But known losses have been provided for.

The Kier companies are expected to continue trading profitably.

Philip Hill Investment

The pre-tax revenue for the year to March 31 of Philip Hill Investment Trust rose from £3.1m to £3.7m. Interest charges fell from £1.54m to £1.45m. Net revenue after tax was £2.37m against £2.2m and earnings a share were 5.17p against 4.81p. The net asset value a share at March 31 was 127p against 138½p but by the end of May this had risen to 159½p. The dividend rises from 6.5p to 7.6p with a final of 4.62p against 3.95p.

Buffels keeps final intact

The General Mining group *opens the summer dividend* season with those from its gold mines. Buffelsfontein is paying somewhat more than expected with a final of 105c. This raises the total for the year from 160c to 180c a share—above most market forecasts. The other of the group's larger mines, Stilfontein, has reduced its interim *payment from 27½c to 16c a* share. Gold output was affected by the shortage of labour following the ban on recruitment in Malawi.

Similar factors applied at West Rand Consolidated where the interim has been reduced from 20c to 5c a share although the situation is now improving *after the recent wage awards.* South Roodepoort has passed its final (25c) leaving the total for the year at 20c (25c).

Roche makes £90m

Roche, the Swiss-based international drugs group now in conflict with the British government over the tranquillizers Librium and Valium, made a profit of more than £90m last year (Swiss Francs 521.7m).

Total dividends paid amounted to Swiss francs 73.9m. The group's annual report, published today indicates that profits were 6 per cent down on the previous year, but the board describes the result as gratifying. It is stressed that revenue is intended primarily for safeguarding the long term "success potential" of the company rather than for the distribution of profits.

The report refers to the United Kingdom price cuts on Librium and Valium as "politically motivated".

MCI profits hope

Mount Charlotte Investment, the hotel group with catering interests, finds it impossible to forecast because business is seasonal. Last year pre-tax profits fell from £409,000 to £89,000 and to keep trustee status the board paid a token dividend of 0.1p against 0.75p. *It reported that the group was* continuing to dispose of low yielding assets to reduce its debtedness.

VERNON FASHION

Vernon Fashion Group: Final 2.456454p making total 3.453054p a share for year to February 1 last plus one for ten scrip issue. Turnover £4.3m (£2.8m), taxed profit *£164,000 (£128,000).* Profits for current first half will be "significantly higher" than for same period a year earlier.

WILLIAMS LEA GROUP

Sales in half year to March 31 £2.35m (£2m); pretax profit £174,000 (£172,000). Chairman says group is in sound financial position. It is actively seeking to expand interests in its specialized markets.

TREMLETTS

Tremletts announces that the offers made in connexion with the capital reconstruction have been declared unconditional.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

	Bid	Offer
STRAIGHTS		
... 10¼ 1981	103¾	104¾
... 8¾ 1988	85	88
... 8 1987	92	95
... 7¼ 1987	88	79
... 8½ 1979	91½	93½
... Steel Corp 8½	86	90
... 7¾ 1987	91	93
... 8 1987	90½	91½
... 7 1980	97	98½
... 7 1980	96½	97½
... 8 1986	96½	97½
... Food 7¾ 1991	85½	86½
... 8¾ 1981	95	96
... 8½ 1980	91	95
... Tokyo 8½ 1988	91½	92½
... Tokyo 10½ 1981	104	105
... Hammer 8 1987	91½	92½
... 8 1987	91½	92½
... Kingdom 7½	84	85
... Mtge Bank 7½	81	83
... 9½ 1985	95½	95½
... 9½ 1980	94	95
... Floating Rate 1983	97½	98½
... Chicago 7 1980	95½	96½
... Pennsylvania 7½	80	81
... 8½ 1987	90½	91½
... Royal 8 1987	76	79
... 7½ 1987	76	79
... 1992	77	80
... National ... 8½	97	98
... & Gen Ass 7½ 1988	74	77
... 8½ 1981	89	91
... 8¾ 1991	81	87
... 7½ 1988	83½	84½
... 9 1989	95½	95½
... 8 1987	92½	94½
... Grindlays 7½ 1987	78	81
... Coal Board 8½	86	89
... Fudosan 10½	103½	104½
Rockwell 8½ 1987	92½	93½
... 7½ 1984	82½	84½
... Lighting 8 1988	91½	92½
... Lighting 9¾ 1981	102½	103½
... 8 1987	91½	92½
... Porma 7½ 1987	90½	91½
... 7½ 1980	85½	86½
... 8¾ 1988	93	95
... 7½ 1987	91½	92½
... 11 1977	101½	102½
... 10½ 1981	103	105
... 8 1988	63	67
... Africa 8 1987	81½	82½
... Oil 8¾ 1980	101½	102½
... Oil 8½ 1988	98	99
... Oil 8½ 1988	99	100
... 8 1987	92	93
... 7½ 1987	83	86
... 7½ 1987	84½	85½
... Gulf 7½ 1987	91½	92½
... Gulf 7 1980	96½	98
... Oil 7½ 1987	91½	92½
Venezuela 8½ 1987	93	96
Volvo 8 1987	88½	89½
Wm Glyns 8½ 1987	81	80
DM BONDS		
APEL (DM) 10 1981	105½	106½
Charter (DM) 6½ 1968/83	82	83
Courtaulds (DM) 6½ 1969 84	81	82
Denmark (DM) 9½ 1981	101	103
Escom (DM) 7 1973 88	74	76
Goodyear (DM) 6½ 1972 87	85	86
ICI (DM) 8 1971/86	91	92
Mitsubishi Heavy (DM) 9½ 1990	105	106
Nat Wst (DM) 8 1988	88½	89½
New Zealand (DM) 9½ 1982	100½	106½
Sucdafrica (DM) 8½ 1970/86	94	96
Sun Int Fin (DM) 7½ 1988	89	90
$ CONVERTIBLES		
AMF 5 1987	60	62
American Express 4½ 1987	81	85
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	92	94
Beatrice Foods 6½ 1991	107	109
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	100½	102½
Borden 5 1992	90	92
Borden 6½ 1991	103	106
Broadway Hale 4½ 1987	75	77
Carnation 4 1987	40	42
Chevron 5 1988	101	103
Cummins 6½ 1986	82½	83½
Dart 4½ 1987	91	93
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	118	120
Economic Labs 4½ 1987	81	83
Eaton 5 1987	67	69
Ford 5 1988	76½	77½
Ford 6 1986	83	84
Gillette 4¾ 1987	80	81
Gould 5 1987	78	80
General Electric 4½ 1987	85½	87½
Halliburton 4½ 1987	137	139
Harris 5 1987	66	68
Honeywell 6 1986	78	80
ITT 4½ 1987	68½	70½
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	130	131
J. P. Morgan 4½ 1987	122½	124½
Nabisco 5½ 1988	80	82
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	86	88
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	85	87
Revlon 4½ 1987	103	104
Rank Org 4½ 1995	43	45
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1988	90	101
Squibb 4½ 1987	87	89
Texaco 4½ 1988	79	80
Union Carbide 4½ 1982	109	110
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	94	96
Xerox Corp 5 1988	79	81

DM = Deutschmark issue.
Source: Kidder, Peabody Securities, London.

Hickson good but margins dip

Growth continues at Hickson & Welch (Holdings). But the margins of the Yorkshire-based chemicals group have fallen over the six months to March 31 from 10.18 per cent to 9.98 per cent. This reflects a rise in pre-tax profits of 19 per cent to £2.09m, and an increase in turnover from £17.17m to £20.9m.

Even so the market added 7p to the shares making them 249p.

Shareholders are to receive a payment of 4.62p, compared with 4p, on attributable profits up from £871,000 to £968,000. Earnings a share come out at 14.97p, against 13.79p.

Last year, profits jumped 27 per cent to a record £4.14m on turnover 26 per cent up to £35.61m.

Pentos confident

Shareholders of Pentos heard Mr Terry Maher, the chairman, affirm at the annual meeting that he believes that the Wright, Bindley & Gell acquisition would bring "substantial long-term benefits".

He also expects another improvement in earnings a share this year. Total borrowings are £3m, compared with £3.7m at December 31, 1974.

Central Line Secs

Pre-tax profits of Central Line Securities have risen to £37,578 in the year to September 30, 1974 from £24,121 in 1973. However, once again the company is passing the dividend. Pre-tax profit for the year is £37,578 compared with £24,121. Tax is £27,392 against £17,093. Earnings per share are 0.57p (0.4p).

Polymark best ever

Last year was a record for Polymark which supplies machinery to laundries and garment makers. Pre-tax profits moved up from £347,000 to £424,000 while turnover rose from £4.5m to £5.6m. But earnings a share fell from 6.8p to 6.47p. The total payment goes up from equal to 2p to 2.25p.

Brit Rollmakers hit by dispute

An industrial dispute at one of British Rollmakers Corporation's principal offshoots which has now closed the whole plant has given rise to grave doubts as to whether the chairman's earlier targets for 1975 can now be achieved. The dispute is at the R. B. Tennet works at Coatbridge and the chairman, Mr D. F. Dodd, told shareholders at the group's annual meeting yesterday that the dispute must hurt the group's current profitability. It even brings into question the future of the group's rollmaking activities at Coatbridge.

Billam jump 44 per cent

The pre-tax profits of J. Billam the Sheffield-based cutlers jumped 44 per cent in 1974 to a group best-ever level of £246,000. In 1973 they were only £171,000. Tax takes £129,000 against £93,000 to leave net profits almost £40,000 to the good at £117,000 against £78,000. Earnings a share moved up from 5.2p to 7.83p and the board is raising the dividend from 4.12p to 4.5p with a final of 3.4p.

Edward Jones scrip

North Wales based building contractors Edward Jones (Contractors) report bigger profits, and dividends and propose a further scrip issue, this time of 1-for-10. Pre-tax profits last year grew from £143,000 to £179,000 and turnover rose from £1.6m to £2.3m. Earnings a share rose from 1.63p to 2.37p and the dividend goes up from equal to 1.25p to 1.4p.

J. H. Fenner caution

In the first half year to February 28 both sales and profits of J. H. Fenner (Holdings) the power transmission engineers showed good gains. But business has slowed down and there are no clear signs of an upturn. After more than doubled interest, pre-tax profits moved up smartly in the six months from £1.5m to £2.4m from turnover up from £16m to £24.4m. Earnings a share were 5.9p against 4.32p and the interim dividend rises from 2.75p to 3.08p.

Panto's optimism

Following a record pretax profit last year, P. Panto the Eastbourne-based wholesale tobacconists, confectioners, and grocers, forecast a further gain to £350,000 this year. But the chairman stressed at the annual meeting the problem of liquidity. He reckons that at least an additional £150,000 will be tied up in stocks simply because of the increased Excise duty on tobacco and the way the big manufacturers like Imperial Group and Gallaher are reducing credit to the trade.

SLATER WALKER CANADA
Slater Walker Canada gross income and equity in net earnings for 1975 $C1,014,000 ($C1,325,000) before extraordinary gain of associated and unconsolidated cos.

ALLIANCE INV
Taxable revenue for year to April 15, £401,000 (£356,000). Dividend is up from 5.28p to 5.87p. Earnings a share, 4.05p (3.94p).

HEWDEN-STUART PLANT
Results for first three months of current year are better than last year, and barring upsets profit prospects are excellent.

FRANCIS INDUSTRIES
Group is trading at profit and bank overdraft has been substantially reduced and is now well within facilities. But due to disruption in motor industry first half profits will not reach 1974 levels.

TRICENTROL
Tricentrol International has confirmed in a letter to shareholders the details of Government guarantees in respect of Thistle Field.

Foreign Exchange

While the dollar made general headway on the foreign exchanges yesterday, the pound moved narrowly in slack trading ahead of today's EEC vote.

The pound fell 20 points against the dollar, to $2.3185. Its effective rate was unchanged at 24.7 per cent.

Gold fell 75 cents an ounce, to $164.50.

Spot Position of Sterling

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Effective depreciation since Dec 21 1971 unchanged at 24.7 per cent.

Forward Levels

[illegible]

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar) [illegible]

Eurodollar deposits [illegible]

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $165.00 (an ounce); pm, [illegible]

Krugerrand [illegible]

Discount market

There seemed to be a moderate surplus of fresh funds in the market, but the Bank of England took no action.

Though there was no rush of money, rates were on a declining path from the outset. By lunchtime, 8 per cent ruled where 8½ or 8¾ per cent had prevailed at first. The trend continued during the afternoon, and final balances were taken in the range of 7 to 7½ per cent.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10¼% (Last changed 2/5/75)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 9½%
Discount Mkt Loans%
Overnight: Open 8¾ Close 7
Week Fixed: 8¾-8

Treasury Bills (Dis%)
Buying: 2 months 9⅜; 3 months 9⅜
Selling: 2 months 9⅝; 3 months 9⅜

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) / Trades (Dis%)
2 months 9⅝-9½ / 3 months 10¼
3 months 9½-9⅜ / 4 months 10½
4 months 9⅞-9¾ / 6 months 11½
6 months 10⅛-9⅞

Local Authority Bonds
1 month 10-9½ / 7 months 10¼-10
2 months 10-9½ / 8 months 10½-10
3 months 10-9½ / 9 months 11¼-10¾
4 months 10¼-10 / 10 months 11¼-10¾
5 months 10¼-10 / 11 months 11¼-10¾
6 months 10¼-10 / 12 months 11¼-11¼

Secondary Mkt. £ CD Rates (%)
1 month 9½-9⅜ / 6 months 10⅝-10½
3 months 9⅞-9⅝ / 12 months 11⅛-10¾

Local Authority Market (%)
2 days 9½ / 3 months 10
7 days 10-9½ / 6 months 10¼
1 month 9½ / 1 year 12½

Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 8¾ Close 8½
1 week 9½-9¼ / 6 months 10⅛
1 month 9½-9¼ / 9 months 10¾
3 months 9⅝ / 12 months 11

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 10½ / 6 months 10¾

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Issues & Loans

Water issue details

Details of the promised two new water issues are now to hand and show that Folkestone & District Water's offer for sale by tender of 9 per cent redeemable preference stock will be at a minimum price of £99 for every £100 of stock. It plans to raise £1.6m.

North Surrey Water is seeking £1.25m, and its preference stock offer is on identical terms.

KEPPEL SHIPYARD
Group (which is 100 per cent owned by Government of Republic of Singapore) plans issue of $12m of guaranteed bonds due 1982 in the Asian dollar bond market.

CADBURY SCHWEPPES
Acceptances have been received for 66.3m shares (90.5 per cent) out of the 73.29m offered by way of rights.

Wall Street

New York, June 4.—Stocks on the New York stock exchange closed widely mixed today with some issues of basic industries showing losses.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 6.18 points to 839.96. Advancing issues narrowly outnumbered decliners. Volume totalled 24,900,000 shares, compared with 26,560,000 yesterday.

Analysts related hesitation to failure of a main bank to cut its prime rate recently despite downward interest rate pressures, the report of another sharp decline in capital outlays by big business in the first quarter and an unexpected money market move by the federal reserve Wednesday.

With Federal funds at 4¾ to 5 per cent, the Fed made overnight sales of securities to dealers and simultaneously agreed to buy them back later.

	June 4	June 3
Allied Chem.	36¼	36½
Allied Stores	33¾	33¾
Allied Supermkt.	2⅝	2⅝
Allis Chalmers	11½	11⅝
Alcoa	44⅝	45⅛
Amax Inc	51⅝	51⅝
Amerada Hess	20⅝	19
Am. Airlines	11½	11¾
Am. Brands	40¼	39⅞
Am. Broadcast	25⅝	25⅝
Am. Can.	32⅝	32½
Am. Cyan.	23⅛	23⅜
Am. El. Power	19¼	19⅝
Am. Home	45¼	45
Am. Motors	5⅝	5⅞
Am. Nat. Gas	37⅝	37½
Am. Standard	14⅝	14⅝
Am. Tel.	49¾	49⅞
Amf. Inc.	20	20
Anaconda	17⅝	17¼
Armco Steel	27⅞	28
Asarco	17⅝	17½
Ashland Oil	22	21⅞
Atl. Richfield	101	100⅛
Avco	6⅛	5⅝
Avon Prod	47⅞	48⅝
Babcock & Wcox	24¾	25⅝
Bankers Tst NY	34¾	36¾
Bank of Am.	43 b	42⅛ b
Bank of N.Y.	30⅞	30⅜
Beat Fds.	24	23⅞
Beet. Dick	36⅝	35⅝
Bell & Howell	17⅞	18⅛
Bendix	37⅞	37⅝
Beth. Steel	34⅛	35⅞
Boeing	21⅛	21⅝
Boise Cascade	21⅞	22⅝
Borden	23⅞	24⅛
Borg Warner	19	18
Bristol Myers	67⅝	65⅞
BP	8⅛	8⅛
Budd	8⅛	8⅝
Burl. Ind.	26⅞	27⅜
Burlington Nthn	39⅞	40⅛
Burroughs	102⅞	104⅛
Campbell Soup	31⅛	31⅛
Canadian Pac.	14⅛	15
Caterpillar	60⅞	60⅜
Celanese	38	38
Central Sova	13⅛	12⅞
Charter N.Y.	13⅛	12⅞
Chase Manhat	33⅝	33⅞
Chem. Bk N.Y.	36⅝	35⅝
Chesapeake Ohio	34⅛	34⅝
Chrysler	11⅞	11⅞
Citicorp	38	38⅝
Cities Serv.	45½	44⅝
Clark Equip	30½	29⅞
Coca Cola	63½	63⅝
Colgate	33⅞	34⅛
C.B.S.	50½	50⅞
Columbia Gas	27	26⅞
Comb Eng	48⅛	48
Comw. Edison	27	29½
Con. Edison	13⅛	13⅞
Cons Foods	14⅛	15
Cons Power	16⅞	16⅞
Cont. Can.	26⅝	26
Cont. Oil	60½	60
Control Data	22	21⅞
Corning Glass	52	51⅞
C.P.C. Intnl.	44	43⅞
Crane	44½	46
Crocker Int	25	25⅞
Crown Zeller	35⅝	35⅞
Dart Ind.	26⅝	26⅞
Deere	43⅞	43
Del Monte	23	23
Delta Air	34⅝	33⅞
Detroit Edison	12	12
Disney	49⅝	51⅝
Dow Chem.	87½	89½
Dresser Ind.	66⅛	64⅞
Duke Power	14⅛	14½
Du Pont	124⅝	125⅝
Eastern Air	5⅝	5½
East. Kodak	103¾	104⅝
Eaton Corp.	34⅛	35⅛
El Paso G	13⅛	13⅛
Equitable Life	18⅝	18⅝
Esmark	32	32
Evans P. D.	6	6¼
Exxon Corp	86½	87⅞
Firestone	17⅞	17⅞
Fst. Chicago	20⅝	20⅝
Fst. Nt. Boston	37⅝	37⅝
Fst. Penn Corp	17⅞	17½
Ford	36⅝	36⅝
G.A.F. Corp.	12⅞	12⅝
Gamble Skogmo	23⅞	23⅞
Gen. Dynam.	50	49½
Gen. Electric	47⅛ e	47⅛
Gen Foods	25⅝	25⅝
Gen. Instr.	12½	12½
Gen. Mills	47½	47⅞
Gen. Motors	43⅞	43⅝
Gen Pub Util N.Y.	15¼	15
Gen. Tel. El.	23½	23¾
Gen. Tire	14⅛	14⅛
Genesco	4½	4⅝
Georgia Pac	45½	46⅝
Getty Oil	188	193½
Gillette	32½	32½
Goodrich	17½	17⅞
Goodyear	18	17⅞
Gould Inc.	24½	24⅞
Grace	26⅝	26⅞
Grant W.T.	4⅛	4⅛
Gt. Atl. & Pac.	10⅛	10½
Greyhound	14⅝	14⅝
Grumman Cp.	19	18⅞
Gulf Oil	21⅛	21⅝
Gulf Wn. Ind.	36⅝	37⅛
Heinz, H. J.	58	56
Hercules	32½	32½
Honeywell	39⅞	39⅝
IC Inds	13⅝	13⅞
Ingersoll	62⅛	63⅛
Inland Steel	37⅝	37
I.B.M.	210⅝	210½
Int. Harv.	29⅝	30⅛
Int. Nickel	26⅝	26⅛
Int. Paper	48⅝	49⅝
Int. Tel. Tel.	23⅞	23⅞
Jewel Co	22	23⅛
Jim Walter	43⅝	43⅝
Johns Manv.	20⅞	21⅞
Johnson & John	95⅞	96
Kaiser Alum.	27⅝	29
Kennecott	38	38
Kerr McGee	88⅝	90⅞
Kimb. Clk.	27	27⅛
Kraftco Cp.	40⅝	40
Kresge S.S.	30⅞	30
Kroger	21⅛	21⅝
Ligg. Myer	33	33⅞
L.T.V.	15⅝	15⅝
Litton	8⅛	8
Lockheed	13⅛	13⅝
Lucky Stores	14⅛	14⅝
Magnavox	8⅝	8⅝
Manuf Hanover	35⅛	34
Mapco	42⅝	43⅛
Marathon Oil	42⅝	43⅛
Marcor Inc.	25	25
Marine Mid.	17⅞	17⅞
Martin Mar.	16	16⅞
McDonnell	16⅞	17⅝
Mead	16⅞	17
Merck	82½	84⅛
Minn. Min.	67⅝	67⅞
Mobil Oil	46⅝	45⅞
Monsanto	65⅝	67⅛
Morgan, J. P.	62⅝	65⅞
Motorola	49⅛	51⅛
NCR Corp	38⅞	38⅝
NL Ind	14½	14⅞
Nat. Bisc.	38	37⅞
Nat. Distill.	15⅝	15⅝
Nat. Steel	37⅞	38
Norfolk West	65	67⅛
NW Bancor	42⅛	42⅛
Norton Simon	19	19½
Occ. Pet.	17⅝	18⅛
Ogden	18⅞	18⅞
Olin Corp.	27½	27⅝
Otis Elev.	30⅞	31⅛
Owens Ill.	41	41⅛
Pac. Gas. El.	20½	20⅛
Pan. Am.	4⅛	4⅛
Penn. Cent.	1⅝	1⅝
Penney J C	54½	54⅝
Pennzoil	22½	22⅞
Pepsico	69½	69⅞
Pet Corp	21⅝	21⅛
Pfizer	33½	34⅛
Phelps Dod.	34⅝	34⅝
Philip Mor.	53⅛	53⅝
Phil. Pet.	57⅞	57⅛
Polaroid	32⅛	33⅛
P.P.G. Ind.	28½	29½
Proc. Gamble	97½	98
Pub Ser El & Gas	16⅝	16⅝
Pullman	54⅛	56⅛
Rapid American	6⅛	6⅛
Raytheon	54	53⅞
RCA Corp	20	20⅛
Repub. Steel	30⅝	31⅛
Reynolds Ind.	55⅛	55⅛
Reynolds Metal	21⅞	22⅝
Rockwell Int	23½	23½
Royal Dutch	35⅞	36
Safeways	48⅛	49⅛
St. Regis	26	27½
Santa Fe Ind	27½	27⅞
SCM	12⅛	12⅛
Schlumbgr.	89½	90¼
Scott. Paper	17¼	17
Seaboard Coast	22½	22⅝
Seagram	29⅝	29½
Sears Roe.	68½	69
Shell Oil	55⅛	54⅝ e
Shell Trans.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Signal Co	15	15⅛
Singer	16½	16⅛
Sony	11⅛	10⅞
Sth Cal Edison	19¼	20
Southern Pac.	25⅝	25⅞
Southern Rly.	54⅞	54⅞
Sperry Rand	46⅛	45⅞
Squibb	38⅞	38⅞
Std. Brands	70	69⅝
Std. Oil Cal.	37¼	36⅝
Std. Oil Ind.	46⅝	46⅝
Std. Oil Ohio	73	74
Sterling Drug	18⅝	18⅞
Stevens J.P.	16	16⅛
Stude Worth	32⅞	32
Sunbeam Cp.	18⅞	18⅝
Sundstrand	23½	23
Sun Oil	34⅞	34⅝
Teledyne	19	18⅞
Tenneco	22⅝	22⅝
Texaco	26	26⅝
Texas East Trans	33½	31⅝
Texas Inst	110⅝	110⅝
Texas Utilities	24	23⅞
Textron	24⅛	24
T.W.A.	8⅛	8½
Travelers Cp.	27⅛	27
T.R.W. Inc.	23	22⅝
U.A.L. Inc.	19	19⅝
Unilever Ltd.	37	38⅝
Unilever N.V.	43½	43⅝
Uniroyal	7⅛	7⅜
Union Bancorp	8⅛	8⅝
Union Carb.	59½	61⅝
Un Oil Cal.	40⅝	41⅞
Un. Pacific Corp.	78	77⅞ e
Uniroyal	8	8
United Brands	5⅛	5⅛
Utd Merch & Man	17⅞	17⅞
U.S. Industries	4⅛	4
U.S. Steel	56⅛	56⅝
Utd Technol	51⅛	50⅝
Wachovia	20⅛	19⅝
Warner Comm	18⅝	18⅝
Warner Lambert	36⅝	37
Wells Fargo	17⅝	17⅝
West'n Bancorp	23⅛	22⅞ e
Westghs El.	18⅛	19⅛
Weyerhaeuser	41⅝	42⅛
Whirlpool	23½	23⅞
White Motor	9	9⅛
Woolworth	14⅛	14⅝
Xerox Cp.	72⅝	70⅝
Zenith	25	25

Canadian Prices

	June 4	June 3
Abitibi	10	9⅞
Alcan	24	24⅛
Alg. Steel	22	23½
Asbestos	16⅝	16⅝
Bell Tel.	44⅛	45⅛
Can. Sup. Oil	40⅛	38⅞
Can. Inv. Fd.	4.78	4.78
Cominco	29⅝	29½
Cons. Bat.	24⅝	24½
Falconbridge	33⅝	35⅝
Gulf Oil	30⅝	30½
Hawker Can.	5.78	5.75
Hud. Bay Min	18⅝	18½
Hud. Bay Oil	39⅝	39⅛
I.A.C. Ltd.	18⅝	19
Imasco	30⅝	30⅛
Imp. Oil	29	28⅞
Int. Pipe	12⅝	12½
Mass.-Ferguson	17⅛	17⅛
Power Cp.	8⅞	9
Price Bros.	14⅝	14⅞
Royal Trust	22	22½
Seagram	30⅝	30⅛
Steel Co.	28⅝	29⅝
Tex. Can.	30½	30⅛
Trans. Mnt. Oil	10⅛	10
Walker H.	33⅝	34⅝
W.C.T.	22½	22⅝

e Ex div. a Asked. r Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market Closed. n New Issue. p Stock Split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, $2.3185 ($2.3175); three months, $2.2911 ($2.2906); Canadian dollar, 97.30c (97.29c).

The Dow Jones spot commodity price index was down .25 to 268.71. The futures index was up .80 to 246.71.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 839.96 (846.14); transportation, 168.92 (168.88); utilities, 85.01 (83.37); 65 stocks, 257.72 (258.58).

New York Stock Exchange index, 49.36 (49.46); industrials, 55.20 (55.20); transportation, 32.67 (32.67); utilities, 32.07 (32.07); financial, 51.39 (51.39).

Silver dips 5.7c in uneventful day

New York, June 4.—SILVER futures closed an overall uneventful session 5.70 to 6.20 cents down, about two cents off the lows. There were 8,112 sales, 2,850 being in the most active July. June, 439.00c; July, 441.80c; Aug, 444.70c; Sept, 447.90c; Dec, 457.60c; Jan, 460.50c; March, 466.80c; May, 473.00c; July, 479.10c; Sept, 485.10c. Handy and Harman of Canada, Can $4.517 (previous Can$ 4.578).
GOLD futures closed lower in moderately active trading. The New York Comex dropped $1.40 to $2.40 and the Chicago IMM 80 cents to $1.50. NY COMEX.—June, $164.20; July, $165.00; Aug, $165.90; Oct, $168.10; Dec, $170.30; Feb, $172.70; April, $174.90; June, $177.10; Aug, $170.30; Oct, $181.50. CHICAGO IMM. June, $164.30 bid-$164.40; Sept, $167.20-167.40; Dec, $170.80; March, $174.00 bid; June, $177.50 bid; Sept, $181.60.
COPPER. Futures closed steady 60 points down on 838 lots. June, 53.80c; July, 54.20c; Aug, 54.70c; Sept, 55.30c; Dec, 57.00c; Jan, 57.50c; March, 58.50c; May, 59.50c; July, 60.50c.
COTTON. Futures moved indecisively for most of the session, with trading mainly technically based. July, 43.97c; Oct, 46.18c; Dec, 45.88-92c; March, 46.75-83c; May, 47.30-35c; July, 48.00c bid; Oct, 48.35c bid.
SUGAR. World Sugar futures in No 11 contract closed slightly lower today, 0.01 to 0.17 cent a lb lower. Volume was 2,582 lots. July, 13.10-14c; Sept, 14.65-69c; Oct, 14.45-40c; Jan, 13.75c nominal; March, 13.75c; May, 13.50c; July, 13.35c bid; Sept, 13.10-18c; Oct, 13.11c. Spot, 13.25c unchanged.
COFFEE.—Light profit-taking by locals trimmed futures prices from midafternoon highs ranging to 1.75 cents up. Closing values of the "C" contract ranged from 1.10 to 0.41 cents up.—July, 55.80c; Sept, 56.80c; Nov, 57.40c bid; Dec, 57.60-7.0c; March, 58.00/10c; May, 58.40/76c.
COCOA.—Futures closed 0.30 cent a lb higher to 0.25 cent a lb lower.—July, 46.30c; Sept, 43.98c; Dec, 43.40c; March, 44.50c; May, 44.70c; July, 46.20c; Sept, nil. Spots: Ghana 63c, Bahia 54c.
WOOL.—Futures closed 5.0 cents higher and Crossbred futures were tradeless today. GREASE WOOL. Spot 134.0c nominal. July, 132.5-7.5c; Oct, 136.0-8.5c; Dec, 135.0-42.0c; March, 135.0-42.0c; May, 136.0-45.0c; July, 133.0c bid; Oct, 135.0c bid. CROSSBRED. Spot, 81.0c nominal. July, 82.0-8.0c; Oct, 84.0-90.0c; Dec, 85.0-94.0c; March, 87.0-94.0c; May, 87.0c bid; July, 87.0c bid; Oct, 87.0c bid.
CHICAGO SOYABEANS.—Oil added 0.08 to 0.35 cents a lb and Soyabean Meal closed up to $0.80 a ton lower in most months. Gains in Soyabeans and firmer grains most of the session lent strength to product futures.—SOYABEANS.—July, 503¼-04c; Aug, 491½-95c; Sept, 487-8½c; Nov, 487-86c; Jan, 493½-c; March, 501c; May, 506c; July, 513c; Aug, 515c. SOYABEAN MEAL. July, $120.70-0.80; Aug, $121.50; Sept, $122.50-3.0; Oct, $123.00; Dec, $126.30-6.50; Jan, $128.50; March, $131.50-2.00. SOYABEAN OIL. July, 21.95-90c; Aug, 20.80-75c; Sept, 20.10-20.00c; Oct, 19.40c; Dec, 18.80-75c; Jan, 18.55c; March, 18.10c; May, 17.75-90c; July, 17.60c; Aug, 17.25-50c.
CHICAGO GRAINS. WHEAT closed firm one c higher to unchanged. July, 301-300c; Sept, 306¼-306c; Dec, 316¼-316c; March, 324¼. MAIZE CLOSED firm 1¼c to unchanged. July, 270-275¼c; Sept, 253¾-252¼c; Dec, 238¼-239c; March, 243¾-244c; May, 247c. OATS closed easier 1¼ to 1¼c lower. July, 162c; Sept, 137¾c; Dec, 139c; March, 141c.

A. G. STANLEY HOLDINGS LIMITED

Salient points from the remarks of the Chairman, Mr. M. J. Stanley, at the Annual General Meeting on 29th May, 1975.

	1974	1973
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- Stores 1st January, 1974: 76 — Stores 1st January, 1975: 91 — Stores 1st June, 1975: 100

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Statement by the Chairman

Mr. J. R. England

For the year ended 31st December, 1974, the Group achieved an excellent result and I am pleased to report a record pre-tax profit of £187,689. This is an increase of 30 per cent over the 1973 profit of £144,206.

Your Company has taken a stride forward in 1974 and the record turnover of £10.15 million reflects the considerable increase in activity. I mentioned in my statement 12 months ago that the trading base of the Group has been widened and we are now beginning to see the benefits of this diversification.

Further expansion in 1974 included the opening of an Export Branch in Edinburgh. We also leased warehouse premises in Shropshire, which has enabled us successfully to enter the Malting Barley trade. Both of these have already proved profitable.

The changed pattern of our trading in recent years has resulted in the greater proportion of our profit being earned in the latter half of each year. This is because we are trading in commodities which have their peak activity in this period. It is, therefore, difficult for me to forecast the 1975 result, but providing no unforeseen disruption to our trading occurs, I am optimistic that 1975 may be another good year.

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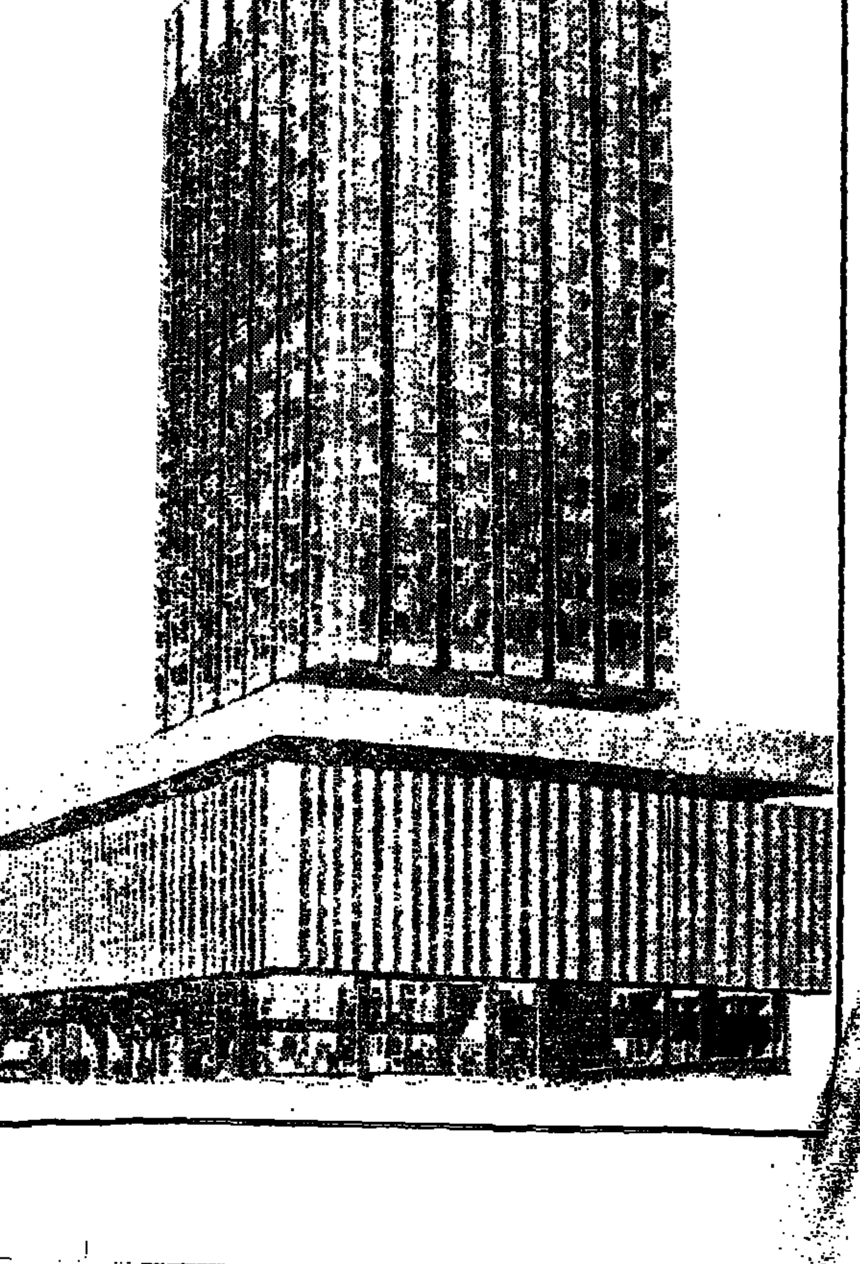
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	Closing price
All Irish Banks 10% Cnv (£100) (£29½ pre-paid)	
Caine Val Wtr 9% Rd Pf (·b)	£11⅛
Deelkraal Gold (R2)	345+0
Finance For Ind 13% (£99½)	£27¾
Gestetner 10% Cnv (£100)	£129+3
GLC 13½% 1982 (£97)	£38½
Nth Atlantic Secs 7½% Cnv (£100)	11⅛-¼
Rank Org (10)	£175+2
Slough Ests 10% Cnv (£100)	£146-1
Southend 12¾% 1981 (£99¼a)	£44½
Warwickshire 12½% 1980 (£99¾e)	£65⅜
Yorks Chem 12½% Cnv (£100)	£79+1

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Assoc Engineer (43)	..	18 prem+1½
Com Bnk Aust (A$1 50)	..	105 prem-5
Elliott Grp (25)	July 11	12 prem
Fairclough Ld (30)	July 11	27 prem+3
Hestair (25)	..	4⅛ prem
Linfood Hldgs (125)	July 11	34 prem
Panang (25)	July 7	½ prem-¼
Prudential (105)	July 17	24 prem+2
Utd Biscuits (75)	..	24 prem

Issued price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £45 paid. b £10 paid. c £60 paid. f £50 paid. g £80 paid. i £40 paid.

Commodities

COPPER was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £530.50-31 a metric ton; three months, £550.50-51.50. Sales, 4,200 tons (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, £520.50-21.50; three months, £540.50-41.50. Sales, 2,200 tons (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash wire bars, £531-32; three months, £551.50-52.50. Settlement, £532. Sales, 10,075 tons (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, £520-21; three months, £540-40.50. Settlement, £521. Sales, 300 tons (mainly carries).

SILVER was steady at the lower levels.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 192.40p a troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 446.5); three months, 197.70p (455.6c); six months, 203.40p (460.8c); one-year, 215.90p (477.8c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 191.2-91.6p; three months, 196.9-96p; seven months, 204-05p. Sales, 77 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 191.8-92.2p; three months, 196.5-97p; seven months, 204.5-205.0p. Settlement, 192.2p. Sales, 58 lots.

TIN.—Standard cash advanced £6 on Tuesday; three months rose £9.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £3,000-3,002 a metric ton; three months, £3,011-12. Sales, 540 tons. High grade, cash, £3,000-3,002; three months £3,011-15. Sales, nil. Morning.—Standard cash, £2,990-92; three months, £3,003-05. Settlement, £2,992. Sales, 160 tons. High grade, cash, £2,990-92; three months, £3,003-10. Settlement, £2,992. Sales, nil. Singapore tin: market closed for the King's birthday.

LEAD was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £150.50-51 a metric ton; three months, £153.75-154. Sales, 1,100 tons. Morning.—Cash, £150.50-51; three months, £153.50-54. Settlement, £151. Sales, 4,575 tons (mainly carries).

ZINC staged a recovery gaining £42.50 on Tuesday for cash and £11.00 for three months.—Afternoon.—Cash £335-340 a metric ton; three months, £291.50-92.50. Sales, 2,900 tons. Morning.—Cash, £331-33; three months, £291-92. Settlement, £333. Sales, 5,300 tons. Producers' price, £560 a metric ton. All afternoon metal prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM.—£64-£66 ($148-$153) a troy ounce.

JUTE was steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, June-July, £200 for long ton; "D" grade, June-July, £193. Indian, June, Rs465.00; Dundee daisee, June, Rs425.00 per bale of 400lbs.

WOOL.—Greasy wool futures were steady.—July, 161.0-66.0p per kilo; Oct, 165.0-69.0p; Dec, 167.0-69.0p; March, 171.0-75.0p; May, 175.0-79.0p; July, 177.0-80.0p; Oct, 179.0-84.0p; Dec, 180.0-85.0p. Sale one lot.

RUBBER was quiet.—July, 29.35-30p per kilo; Aug, 29.85-30.10p; July-Sept, 29.85-30.00p; Oct-Dec, 31.05-31.10p; Jan-March, 32.35-32.40p; April-June, 33.35-33.40p; July-Sept, 33.90-34.00p; Oct-Dec, 34.50-34.56p; Jan-March, 35.00-35.06p. Sales, 49 lots of 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were uncertain.—Spot, 27.00-29.00 cif: July, 27.35-27.45p; Aug, 27.75-28.00p.

COFFEE was fully steady. ROBUSTAS.—July, £462.5-63.0; Sept, £455.0-56.0; Nov, £449.0-49.5; Jan, £448.5-49.0; March, £450.0-51.0; May, £453.0-55.0; July, £457.0-60.0. Sales, 2,187 lots.

ARABICAS.—June, $64.80-65.80 per 50 kilos; Aug, $66.00-66.30; Oct, $64.80-66.00; Dec, $65.40-66.30; Feb, $65.30-67.00; April, $66.00-67.50; June, $66.00-68.00. Sales, 19 lots.

COCOA was barely steady.—July, £160.0-61.0 a metric ton; Sept, £156.0-156.30; New Dec, £474.60 78.0; March, £481.0-81.50; May, £483.0-83.50; July, £488.0-90.50; Sept, £491.0-93.50. Sales, 1,681 lots, including 13 options. ICO prices: daily 46.27c; 15-day average 48.01c; 23-day average 47.86c.

SUGAR was quiet. The London daily price was £3 up at £156. ISA prices 15.02c, 17-day average 16.69c.—Aug, £155.50-55.95 a long ton; Oct, £150.05-51.00; Dec, £149.55-50.00; March, £146.00-46.40; May, £144.50-45.00; Aug, £144.50-45.00; Oct, £144.25-45.00. Sales 1,323 lots.

SOYABEAN MEAL was barely steady.—Aug, £69.70-69.80 per metric ton; Oct, £69.90-70.00; Dec, £70.70-70.88; March, £72.30-72.40; May, £74.10-74.50; Aug, £76.00-76.40; Oct, £77.70-77.80. Sales 44 lots.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—United States dark northern spring number two 14 per cent, June, £77.00; July, £73.15; Aug, £70.60. Direct Tilbury. Hard winter number two 13 6 per cent, July, £62.00; Aug, £62.40. Direct Tilbury. EEC milling. French feed, June, £51.00; July, £51.50, south coast. MAIZE.—No. 3 yellow American-French, June, £51.00; July, £51.25, trans-shipment west coast. South African white dent, Aug, £59.00, Glasgow. South African yellow flint, Aug, £58.50, Glasgow. BARLEY.—EEC feed, June, £50.25; July, £51.25, trans-shipment east coast. All a long ton cif UK unless stated.

London grain futures market (Gafta). EEC origin Barley, steady.—Sept, £55.30; Nov, £55.35; Jan, £57.35; March, £59.15; May, £60.50. Wheat, steady.—Sept, £55.50; Nov, £57.60; Jan, £59.70; March, £61.70; May, £63.55. All a long ton.

MARK LANE.—Hagberg milling wheat met a fairly active offtake in London at steady prices with June delivery changing hands at £51.50 and July at £53.75 per long ton. In addition, new crop wheat traded at £60.75 for Sept-Dec delivery, at £61.25 for Oct-Dec, at £63.25 for Oct-April and at £64 for Jan-March. Limited business in Liverpool included Sept-Dec delivery at £62.25. Denaturable quality wheat met a limited offtake in East Anglia at £50.75 for June. Scattered business in feed barley included Sept-Dec delivery in Norfolk at £56 and in Avonmouth at £56.50. The following are average sellers quotations per long ton delivered London area: wheat milling Hagberg, June, £52; denaturable, June, £51.25; barley feed, June, £53.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority's location ex-farm spot prices.—Soft milling WHEAT.—Banbury, £50.00; Chicester, £50.00. Feeding BARLEY.—Banbury, £48.40; Ormskirk, £49.85.

MEAT (Smithfield).—BEEF: Scotch killed sides, 35.0-37.0p per lb; English hindquarters (inc some heavy), 44.0-46.0p; English forequarters, 24.0-25.0p; Ulster hindquarters, 43.0-45.0p; Ulster forequarters, 23.0-24.0p; Eire hindquarters, 42.0-46.0p; Eire forequarters, 23.0-24.0p.
VEAL: English bobbies, 15.0-16.0p; Scotch bobbies, 14.0-16.0p.
LAMB: English small, 36.0-42.0p; English medium, 36.0-39.0p; English heavy, 34.0-38.0p; Imported frozen: New Zealand D's, 30.0-31.0p; 2's, 30.0-30.5p; 8's, 28.0-28.5p; YL's, 28.5-29.0p; Australian Blue D's, 30.0-31.0p.
HOGGETS: English, 20.0-28.0p; Scotch, 20.0-28.0p.
EWES: 10.0-11.5p.
PORK: English, under 100lb, 29.0-35.0p; 100-120lb, 29.0-34.0p; 120-160lb, 29.0-33.0p; 160-180lb, 26.0-33.0p; 180lb and over, 26.0-26.5p.

World refined copper stocks up

World refined copper stocks rose by 96,194 short tons during April to a new peak of 890,851 short tons, the American Bureau of Metal Statistics said.

The ABMS coverage represents about 80 per cent of the non-communist world, excluding Japan.

Stocks outside the United States accounted for 73,416 tons of the increase. Industry sources said that including about 225,000 tons of unsold refined copper and copper in concentrates in Japan, the world stock figure is over 1,100,000 short tons of copper.—Reuter.

Lead exports cut

Tokyo, June 4.—Japanese lead smelters are to voluntarily halt lead exports except to China, for the present, in an effort to prevent world market prices from further declining.—Reuter.

Japan buys wheat

Tokyo, June 4.—Japan bought 48,142 tonnes of wheat from the United States for August shipment through its weekly import tenders.—Reuter.

J. H. VAVASSEUR
Group has agreed to sell its holding in Vavasseur South Africa Ltd of 1,789,850 ord shares and 180,000 pref to Woolfsons Holdings for ord and pref shares in Woolfsons which Trust Accepting Bank will purchase for R4m cash (R2.17 for each ord). Offer to be extended to other holders.

CHUBWA TEA
No remittances from India means no dividend recommendation for year to September 30 last for the time being.

Tin group in talks on buffer stock

By Wallace Jackson
Commodities Editor

Proposals to enlarge the tin buffer stock and rearrange the responsibility for financing it are now being discussed by a negotiating group of the International Tin Council in Geneva.

These talks form part of the meetings which began on May 20 and continue until June 30 to negotiate a new international tin agreement in place of the fourth one which expires on June 30.

Under the existing agreement, buffer stock capacity was set at 20,000 tonnes. Indonesia wants this to be raised to a minimum of 35,000 tonnes and a holding of 50,000 tonnes has also been suggested in some quarters.

When the present buffer stock level was set it represented an investment of some £27m. However, in April the Tin Council not only introduced export controls to cut back sales by an estimated 18 per cent (to run to the end of the fourth agreement) but also called up £13.5m in available contributions from members and a negotiated stand-by credit of £8m to swell the funds available to the buffer stock.

The negotiating group has to wrestle with the problem of deciding on the scale of finance an increased stock would demand—and how the cost would be apportioned.

Relevant *to this problem* is *the* fact that it is known that some producer states are anxious that the cost of the buffer stock should not be borne by the producer states alone, but that the consumer *nations should take an equal share.*

Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat index of European share prices was put provisionally at 138.38 on June 3 against 136.75 a week earlier.

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125	90	Henry Sykes	125	—	4.9	4.0	8.3
61	29	Twinlock Ord	35	—	0.8	2.4	8.1
61	45	Twinlock 12% ULS	60	—	12.0	20.0	—

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32.2	19.0	Do Accum	31.6	33.4	4.30
30.7	20.7	Income	30.3	32.5	8.20
33.3	23.4	Do Accum	33.3	35.5	8.20
22.9	16.6	East & Int Acc	19.8	20.8	2.70
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21.7	10.8	Abbey Capital	21.7	23.1	4.03
36.1	19.2	Abbey General	33.9	36.1	3.90
23.9	11.0	Do Income	23.9	25.4	5.64
25.4	13.4	Do Invest	25.4	27.0	3.77
		Alben Trust Managers Ltd.			
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60.3	33.1	Alben Trst*	58.5	62.9	3.62
48.1	24.3	Do Income*	48.1	51.7	6.63
		Allied Hambro Group.			
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52.4	30.1	Allied Capital	51.8	55.4	5.30
56.9	31.4	Do 1st	50.9	54.4	4.97
49.3	29.0	Brit Ind 2nd	48.8	51.7e	5.76
27.7	16.2	Growth & Inc	27.7	29.6	5.63
24.2	14.5	Elec & Ind Dev	23.2	24.8	5.71
38.9	24.3	Met Min&Cmdty	38.9	41.6	5.03
46.5	29.1	High Income	44.6	47.7	[illegible]
27.8	16.4	Equity Income	26.6	28.5	5.63
23.3	13.1	International	23.3	25.9	[illegible]
38.4	25.0	HighYieldFnd	38.4	41.1	9.13
79.8	42.5	Hambro Fnd	77.6	82.9e	5.36
38.7	22.1	Do Income	37.3	39.9	6.65
81.3	44.3	Do Recovery	78.0	83.4e	7.01
19.1	9.0	Do Smaller	16.1	17.2	8.71
20.1	12.2	Do Accum	20.7	22.1	4.38
20.1	12.8	2nd Smaller	20.0	21.4	7.79
42.6	26.1	Secs of America	42.6	45.5e	2.97
126.2	85.5	Exempt Fnd	126.2	134.6	6.01
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29.7	22.0	UnicornAmer	29.7	31.8e	2.75
58.4	35.7	Aust Income	51.0	55.0e	3.41
79.6	42.2	Do Accum	61.0	65.9	3.41
55.6	27.6	Unicorn Capital	51.6	55.5	4.01
63.6	30.2	Exempt*	63.3	65.9e	6.17
19.4	11.1	Extra Income	19.4	20.6e	8.75
50.9	22.4	Financial	50.9	54.4e	3.81
49.3	26.4	Unicorn '500'	46.2	49.4	6.36
24.1	13.0	General	24.0	25.7e	5.07
29.7	14.9	Growth Accum	29.7	31.8e	3.93
53.1	30.0	Income	53.1	56.6	6.76
25.2	14.9	Recovery	25.1	26.9	6.08
53.1	41.7	Trustee	53.1	56.5	5.03
46.6	32.4	Worldwide	46.6	49.8	2.78
137.9	96.7	B'tst Inv Fnd	134.4	138.6e	5.74
140.3	97.2	Do Accum	137.4	141.6e	5.74
		Brandts Ltd.			
		36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3. 01-626 6599			
113.0	95.0	Brandts Cap (4)	107.0	114.0e	2.04
119.0	91.0	Do Accum (4)	117.0	124.0e	1.83
109.0	73.0	Brandts Inc (4)	107.0	114.0	7.71
		Bridge Talisman Fund Manager Ltd.			
		5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951			
126.0	76.8	B.T. Income (2)	173.0	185.0e	8.20
28.0	16.0	Do Cap Inc (2)	27.9	29.9	5.50
29.3	16.0	Do Cap Acc (2)	28.2	30.0	5.50
84.0	51.0	Do Exempt (2)	87.0	93.0	5.77
20.6	9.3	Do Int Inc (3)	12.9	13.9	4.75
20.6	9.3	Do Int Acc	13.0	13.9	4.75
		The British Life.			
		Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
40.6	22.1	British Life	40.6	43.5	5.14
30.0	17.7	Balanced (2)	29.3	31.0	4.82
31.7	15.1	Cap Accum (2)	31.6	33.5	5.28
34.9	19.9	Dividend (2)	27.5	29.1	9.53
		Brown Shipley Unit Fund Managers.			
		Founders Court, Lothbury, EC2 01-600 8520			
135.0	105.1	Brn Ship Inc (1)	158.0	163.0	5.70
179.6	116.9	Do Accum (1)	179.6	184.6	5.70
		Canada Life Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		6 Charles II St, London, SW1. 01-930 6122			
27.9	15.9	Canlife Gen	27.9	29.4	4.20
30.9	17.1	Do Accum	30.9	32.5	4.20
25.0	17.7	Income Dist	25.0	26.3e	8.25
27.8	19.1	Do Accum	27.8	29.2	8.25
		Carliol Unit Fund Managers Ltd.			
		Milburn Hse, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 0632 21165			
61.7	34.5	Carliol (8)	61.7	64.2e	3.13
67.7	37.4	Do Accum	67.7	70.2	3.13
		Charities Official Investment.			
		77 London Wall, London, EC2. 01-588 1815			
116.5	79.1	Inc* (24)	95.6	..	7.31
150.3	79.6	Accum* (24)	142.0	..	5.10
		Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd.			
		1 Paternoster Row, London, EC4. 01-248 3999			
21.6	17.2	Int (2)	20.6	22.0	2.33
23.5	17.6	Accum (3)	22.6	24.2	2.33
31.0	20.2	Inc (3)	28.8	30.8	7.87
27.0	18.4	Euro Fin (3)	26.6	28.4	2.33
27.8	13.0	Fund Inv (3)	25.0	26.6	3.30
		Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		4 Melville Crescent, Edinburgh. 031-226 4931			
23.6	6.9	Growth Fnd	19.1	20.2	4.73
39.9	23.9	International	39.3	42.1	2.09
31.1	19.7	Reserves Fnd	30.4	32.8	4.26
34.4	18.0	High Dist	34.4	36.9e	6.96
		Drayton Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		42 15 South St, Eastbourne. 0323 36711			
61.3	39.5	Commodity	59.6	64.1e	5.03
32.1	17.4	Growth	32.1	34.1	2.53
34.0	13.0	Drayton Capital	34.0	35.5	3.04
35.6	22.4	Drayton Inc	35.6	37.8	6.25
44.7	25.0	International	44.1	46.9	2.21
		Equitas Securities Ltd.			
		41 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 02774 33169			
50.4	23.6	Progressive	50.9	53.2e	3.83
		Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Amersham Rd, H Wycombe, Bucks. 0494 32815			
47.0	22.3	Equity & Law	47.0	50.0e	3.91
		Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd.			
		Framlington Hse, 5-7 Ireland Yd, EC4. 01-248 6971			
51.0	26.4	Capital	47.4	50.4	5.15
15.0	24.0	Income	45.4	48.2e	6.50
		Friend's Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		7 Leadenhall St, London, EC3. 01-626 4511			
27.6	12.8	Friends Prov	27.4	29.3e	4.33
31.9	14.6	Do Accum	31.7	33.9	4.33
		Funds in Court.			
		Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2. 01-405 4300			
86.0	46.0	Capital*	85.0	86.0	4.58
64.0	40.0	Gross Income*	64.0	66.0	7.58
72.0	42.0	High Yield*	70.0	73.0	7.97
		G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300			
25.6	13.6	G & A	23.9	25.6e	5.10
		G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.			
		16 St Martin's-le-Grand, EC1. 01-600 9461 Ext 13			
65.8	36.0	GT Cap	61.8	65.1	3.20
71.9	35.8	Do Accum	69.5	73.9	3.20
102.2	72.2	Do Income	101.0	107.4	6.80
147.7	94.6	Do US Gen Fnd	141.4	150.4e	1.00
150.0	94.6	Do Japan Gen	148.0	155.3e	1.00
99.0	100.0	Do Pension Ex	98.0	100.2	3.00
		Gartmore Fund Managers.			
		2 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8BP. 01-283 3531			
34.4	21.7	Gartmore Brit	34.4	37.0	4.33
29.7	16.1	Do High Inc	29.7	31.9	11.37
27.5	19.8	Do Overseas	27.6	27.6	1.51
		Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd.			
		Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-681 1031			
68.7	31.5	Guardhill	66.7	69.1	4.72
		Henderson Administration.			
		5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300			
		11 Austin Friars, London, EC2N 2ED			
48.0	33.0	Aust Trst	38.5	38.1	4.89
61.6	28.3	Cabot	64.1	68.5e	4.80
26.8	20.6	Cap Accum	26.8	28.5	3.88
38.1	23.7	European	35.8	38.0e	3.21
43.6	25.2	Far East Trst	40.8	43.7	1.78
34.1	21.3	Financial ITU	27.4	29.3e	4.99
123.0	89.5	Henderson Gr*	99.5	104.0e	3.83
37.0	23.0	High Income	33.4	35.5e	10.29
24.5	14.6	Inc & Assets	21.7	23.8	6.45
27.0	17.2	International	23.6	25.1e	3.63
10.5	26.4	Nth American	37.2	39.8	1.04
33.1	19.6	Oil & Nat Res	28.3	30.0	3.34
93.0	44.3	Pers Portfolio	85.2	88.9	4.34
61.0	44.3	World Wide	61.5	65.3	6.09
		Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		45 Beech St, EC2 P2X 01-628 8011			
53.1	29.1	Dollar	55.1	59.0e	1.73
30.6	19.6	International	30.1	32.1	2.60
115.6	52.6	Brit Trst	115.6	123.7e	4.71
115.6	52.6	Brit Guernsey	115.6	123.7	3.06
21.9	9.2	Cap	21.9	23.5	5.04
80.8	36.2	Fin Trst	80.8	86.3	3.77
19.8	8.8	Inc Trst	19.8	21.3	6.84
19.7	10.4	High Yield	19.2	20.6e	8.20
39.6	19.1	Secs Trst	39.6	42.4	4.44
		Jascot Securities Ltd.			
		21 Young St, Edinburgh. 031-226 [illegible]			
23.3	12.3	Compound	21.5	23.1	10.80
25.4	14.1	Do Accum (1)	21.5	23.1	10.80
24.2	12.1	Pre. Wdrwl (1)	21.3	23.0	[illegible]
21.7	17.1	Preference	20.7	21.7	15.06
25.5	19.5	Do Accum	21.7	23.7	15.06
13.6	9.4	Cap (2)	16.6	17.8	..
22.2	11.1	Aust Comp Fnd	11.5	12.5	7.27
11.6	10.6	Do W'draw	10.6	11.6	..
25.0	14.9	Sector Ldrs (3)	21.8	23.1	3.74
15.7	9.8	Fin & Prim (3)	15.9	16.6	4.34
34.1	21.2	Int Growth (4)	30.4	32.3e	[illegible]
22.7	14.1	5th American	20.8	21.0	3.77
35.1	18.5	Commodity (5)	26.8	28.3e	5.58
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum (5)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do W'drwl (5)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Key Fund Managers.			
		25 Milk St, EC2V 8JE. 01-606 7070			
56.5	31.7	Cap Fund	54.4	57.8	4.12
79.7	48.1	Exempt Fnd (36)	69.0	73.4	..
55.6	32.7	Inc Fnd	51.8	54.8e	8.84
74.2	41.5	KPIF	64.4	68.1	4.16
		Lawson Securities.			
		63 George Street, Edinburgh. 031-226 3911			
34.0	18.6	American Fnd	26.8	28.3	1.90
28.8	21.4	Gilt&Warrant	28.5	30.5	1.74
113.8	81.8	High Yield Fnd	108.4	116.4	13.30
120.7	84.1	Do Accum	117.8	125.8	13.30
75.7	47.5	Scottish Inc	71.0	76.0	3.70
		Legal & General Tyndall Fund.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
44.4	23.6	Dist	42.0	44.0	5.74
49.4	26.3	Accum	47.0	49.0	5.74
		Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers.			
		71 Lombard Street, London, EC3. 01-626 1500			
37.5	18.5	1st Inc	37.5	40.3e	4.56
46.6	22.6	Do Accum	46.6	50.1	4.56
42.6	20.7	2nd Inc	42.6	45.8e	3.39
49.7	23.9	Do Accum	49.7	53.4	3.39
60.1	32.5	3rd Inc	60.1	64.6	6.63
71.8	37.8	Do Accum	71.8	77.1	6.63
		M & G Securities.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
139.1	76.7	M & G General	129.0	138.0	5.35
178.9	103.9	Do Accum	174.8	187.0	5.35
121.8	74.1	2nd Gen	118.7	125.8e	4.88
163.1	93.5	Do Accum	161.2	170.9	4.88
96.8	52.0	Mid & Gen	86.6	92.1	7.73
129.5	69.2	Do Accum	125.8	131.1	7.73
79.3	40.5	Div Fnd	73.9	78.2e	8.42
120.7	60.8	Do Accum	118.6	125.6	8.42
101.5	59.2	Special Trst	85.4	90.5	4.72
110.6	64.2	Do Accum	97.5	103.4	4.72
239.0	56.3	Magnum Fnd	187.4	196.8	4.12
262.7	145.2	Do Accum	215.3	226.1	4.12
49.3	26.9	FITS	49.2	52.1e	3.28
53.1	29.5	Do Accum	54.8	58.1	3.28
35.0	19.1	Compound	35.0	37.6	[illegible]
118.0	77.0	Recovery	110.6	118.3	6.00
47.9	22.5	Extra Yield	47.9	50.8e	9.86
54.9	26.2	Do Accum	53.5	56.7	9.86
108.9	68.9	Japan	96.5	103.0	0.83
52.8	36.4	Euro & Gen	43.2	46.0	3.28
34.3	18.5	American & Gen	34.1	36.3	1.90
56.1	26.8	Australasian	46.7	49.7	2.51
44.1	20.0	Far East Inc	35.4	37.7	3.39
44.1	21.2	Do Accum	36.1	38.4	3.39
97.3	53.3	Trustee Fnd	95.4	101.6	6.57
158.4	85.3	Do Accum	155.8	165.1	6.57
112.5	58.6	Charifund* (2)	111.3	113.0e	7.32
97.1	52.5	Pension (1)	93.5	96.6e	5.65
33.6	19.3	NAACIF	29.8	..	e11.41
41.3	22.9	Do Accum	41.3	..	11.41
47.3	30.6	Midland	43.4	46.0	5.12
52.9	32.4	Clyde Gen	51.3	54.4e	5.61
65.6	39.1	Do Accum	63.9	67.7	5.61
58.3	33.0	Clyde High Inc	53.4	56.6e	10.82
74.6	43.7	Do Accum	74.0	76.3	10.82
		National Provident Inv Managers Ltd.			
		48 Gracechurch Street, EC3. 01-623 4200			
40.0	20.7	NPI Accum (15)	38.9	41.4	4.20
36.0	19.1	Do Dist (15)	35.0	37.3e	4.20
117.0	106.3	Do O'seas Acc	117.0	123.0	4.00
117.0	106.6	Do O'seas Dis	117.0	123.9	4.00
		National Westminster Unit Trust Managers.			
		41 Lothbury, London, EC2P 2BP 01-637 6044			
53.4	30.8	Capital	53.1	56.7e	3.23
29.3	14.5	Income	29.0	30.9	5.23
35.1	19.9	Financial	34.9	37.2	3.35
79.3	45.9	Growth Inv	79.5	84.9	3.61
		New Court Fund Managers Ltd.			
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
144.0	113.0	Equity	132.0	140.0e	2.87
115.5	71.4	Income Fund	116.7	124.1	6.03
99.3	60.9	International	88.2	93.8	2.10
96.3	76.9	Smaller Co's	94.5	100.5	4.28
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
204.3	93.4	Grp Tst Fnd (3)	204.3	215.1	6.16
		Oceanic Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		3-5 Norwich Street, EC4. 01-831 6212			
38.3	24.6	Financial	37.2	39.6	4.50
20.8	12.8	General	18.2	19.3e	4.54
36.7	20.8	Growth Accum	30.8	32.5e	5.75
28.3	18.9	Do Income	27.4	29.2e	5.76
21.4	14.6	High Income	20.4	21.6	9.34
19.3	11.9	Investment	19.0	20.2e	5.51
28.4	19.3	Overseas	25.2	26.7	3.67
41.7	27.9	Performance	41.7	44.4e	4.80
20.6	11.3	Progressive	20.6	22.0	6.62
20.7	12.8	Recovery	19.8	21.1e	6.56
		Pearl-Montagu Trust Managers Ltd.			
		114 Old Broad St, GPO Box 525, EC2. 01-588 6464			
19.8	10.2	Growth	18.9	20.4e	4.05
20.7	10.8	Do Accum	20.7	22.3	4.05
25.3	13.2	Income	22.7	24.5e	7.06
29.7	15.1	Trust	24.0	30.2e	4.44
34.0	17.8	Do Accum	32.8	35.3	4.44
		Pelican Unit Administration.			
		81 Fountain Street, Manchester. 061-236 5685			
55.4	30.2	Pelican	53.7	56.4e	5.62
		Piccadilly Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		1 Love Lane, London, EC2. 01-606 8744			
31.0	21.7	Inc & Growth	28.8	29.3	3.75
33.6	20.6	Extra Inc	25.3	27.8	10.25
		Portfolio Fund Managers Ltd.			
		10 Charterhouse Sq, London, EC1. 01-251 0544			
68.3	27.3	Portfolio Cap	40.7	44.7e	5.59
72.9	32.2	Grwth With Inc	49.8	54.7	8.22
41.6	16.1	Private Port	27.8	30.5	4.05
59.0	33.7	Shenley Port	58.0	64.0	3.90
		Practical Investment Co Ltd.			
		Europa Hse, World Tr Centre, E1. 01-623 8893			
119.1	60.1	Pract Inc (3)	118.1	129.1	3.07
152.7	76.6	Do Accum (3)	152.7	163.6	3.07
		Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd.			
		22 Bishopsgate, EC2. 01-247 6533			
62.5	30.0	Prolific	62.5	66.0e	2.60
72.1	40.1	Do High Inc	67.7	72.5e	7.39
		Prudential Unit Trust Managers.			
		Holborn Bars, London, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222			
90.5	46.5	Prudential	86.5	91.5e	4.80
		Reliance Unit Managers Ltd.			
		Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
38.4	23.6	Opp Accum (2)	38.2	40.4	6.05
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-588 1717			
		Dealings to 01-554 8899			
		Erskine Hse, 68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX. 031-226 7351			
		Ebor Securities.			
54.7	34.8	Universal Growth	52.8	57.4	1.74
44.5	28.7	Capital Accum	44.4	47.4	4.80
43.4	22.9	General	41.1	43.9	4.48
41.9	21.8	High Return	47.1	50.4	6.14
62.2	41.0	Commodity	59.3	63.4	6.34
54.1	31.8	Energy	53.0	56.8	2.37
32.4	20.3	Financial	33.0	35.2	3.90
42.7	24.1	Prop & Build	39.9	42.7	3.37
88.8	44.1	Select Grwth (9)	81.0	84.6	1.45
84.4	39.6	Select Inc (9)	76.0	79.4	6.37
187.6	133.5	Comm Pen (3)	180.4	192.5	5.30
		Save & Prosper Securities Ltd.			
29.6	17.1	Capital	27.5	29.5	2.92
64.3	36.9	Financial Secs	59.4	63.4e	2.92
21.6	10.6	Investment	21.6	23.1	3.49
76.0	32.5	Euro Growth†	73.1	78.0	1.47
69.7	42.5	Japan Growth†	63.7	68.0	1.35
69.4	43.1	US Growth†	69.0	73.6	1.09
35.4	20.2	General	33.3	35.6	4.35
47.4	23.4	High Yield	41.2	44.0	9.94
32.8	19.2	Income	31.9	34.2	7.52
		Scotbits Securities Ltd.			
42.3	22.1	Scotbits	36.3	37.7	4.16
39.4	22.1	Scotyields	39.4	42.0	6.36
43.4	24.6	Scotgrowth	41.1	43.9e	4.12
45.2	22.2	Scotshares	43.2	45.1e	4.39
210.0	133.5	Scotfunds	212.5	220.1	1.43
39.2	20.4	Scotincome	39.2	41.3	6.33
		Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Ltd.			
		120 Cheapside, London, EC2. 01-242 6252			
85.8	40.1	Capital (16)	73.4	78.1e	2.91
90.1	44.8	Do Accum	85.5	88.6	2.91
103.8	50.2	Income (14)	108.8	112.7	7.27
134.8	89.3	Do Accum	136.3	141.2	7.27
50.7	24.0	General (3)	49.3	51.3	4.09
56.0	28.7	Do Accum	56.0	58.3	4.09
42.8	21.0	Europe (18)	37.2	37.9	1.85
45.5	21.0	Do Accum	37.2	39.5	1.85
		Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd.			
		28 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101			
38.7	25.0	Equitable	38.4	40.8	5.60
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd.			
		Jersey Britannia Group			
		47-67 Gresham St, London, EC2. 01-600 6747			
65.1	40.1	Jersey Comm Pl	63.1	67.8e	5.21
74.5	56.5	Do Exempt*	74.5	78.2	4.38
41.0	19.2	Do Extra Inc	38.1	40.2	10.12
26.9	13.7	Do High Inc	22.3	24.0e	12.73
38.5	21.2	Do City of Ldn	38.9	41.8	5.01
111.8	103.3	Do Gold & G	151.9	163.3e	4.63
25.8	14.5	Do Invest	25.8	27.4	4.17
25.9	14.5	Do New Issue	25.8	27.6	[illegible]
15.7	6.9	Do Prop & G	12.5	13.5	3.82
18.8	11.6	Do Plant & G	19.3	20.5	[illegible]
27.6	18.2	JL Int Cons	21.8	23.2e	5.64
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd.			
		47-57 Gresham St, London, EC2. 01-600 4747			
62.5	35.7	Growth	61.6	65.6e	4.90
54.2	21.4	Assets	54.2	57.1	6.21
38.0	23.3	Capital Accum	37.8	40.3	4.70
40.8	21.3	Cap Growth	38.1	40.2	[illegible]
42.5	21.1	Far East Fnd	21.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
38.5	19.5	Financial	37.6	40.3e	[illegible]
33.1	18.9	General Fund	29.0	31.2	3.31

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
53.4	36.2	Global Grth	52.2	56.2	3.13
35.0	35.0	High Income	35.0	38.9	[illegible]
47.6	27.6	Income Units	43.3	46.5	7.93
434.5	288.1	Professional	419.7	432.1	4.82
21.0	13.8	Status Change	21.0	22.4	6.16
115.0	81.6	Minerals Tst	97.9	101.0	3.79
38.7	24.6	North American	36.2	27.9e	3.58
41.6	33.8	Centurs	40.5	43.8	4.14
66.2	41.4	Nat High Inc	64.3	69.2	7.31
79.5	26.3	Investors Gen	51.2	55.2	[illegible]
110.2	74.8	Provident Inv	101.7	109.4	4.66
55.3	28.1	Scot Units	49.3	53.1e	4.31
45.2	29.7	Shield	41.0	44.1	4.31
		National Group.			
		35 Norwich St, EC4. 01-831 6212			
41.0	26.3	Comm Cons	36.1	38.9	3.96
35.4	19.9	Domestic	31.5	33.9e	5.11
50.9	34.9	Gas Ind Power	49.0	51.7	4.17
41.8	28.0	Hundred Secs	41.8	45.0e	5.28
31.7	19.2	Investors Gen	27.9	30.0e	5.01
66.5	44.2	Natbits	63.1	67.9e	3.56
43.4	26.7	National Cons	43.4	46.7	3.70
140.9	82.3	Do Unit 'D'	140.9	151.6e	3.71
39.0	21.7	Nufits	38.5	41.4	4.90
67.7	51.5	Natural Res	61.4	65.9	4.18
58.8	36.6	Security First	56.9	61.2	5.60
55.5	36.3	Shamrock	49.1	52.9	5.38
93.3	54.9	Universal 2nd	92.3	99.3	4.78
		Stewart Unit Trust Managers.			
		45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh. 031-226 3271			
66.6	26.2	American	46.6	50.5	4.00
100.0	82.7	British Cap	94.6	101.0	4.05
		Sun Alliance Management Ltd.			
		Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex. 0403 64141			
118.0	106.0	Exempt Eq Tst	118.0	124.0	4.83
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296-5941			
74.3	46.9	Family Fund	68.5	72.8	2.69
		Target Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
28.4	15.1	Consumer	24.8	26.5e	6.34
23.3	15.1	Financial	22.6	24.1	[illegible]
31.7	18.3	Equity	31.7	33.9	5.93
141.3	81.1	Exempt	141.7	149.2e	5.34
168.1	94.4	Do Accum (3)	168.1	174.2	5.24
27.4	15.3	Growth	23.8	25.4	4.21
26.6	17.7	International	26.6	28.5	3.07
27.1	18.0	Do Re-invest	27.1	29.0	3.07
24.7	12.0	Investment	24.7	26.6e	[illegible]
126.0	72.0	Professional (3)	115.5	120.3	5.83
18.5	11.0	Income	18.5	19.8	[illegible]
13.2	9.8	Preference	10.7	11.5	15.03
		Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd.			
		19 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, 3. 031-229 8621			
25.2	14.6	Eagle	24.6	26.3	2.97
29.7	16.8	Thistle	29.4	31.4e	6.32
44.8	27.9	Claymore Fnd	43.7	46.2	9.40
		TSB Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		21 Chantry Way, Andover, Hants. Andover 62188			
31.2	15.6	General	31.1	33.2	3.79
36.4	17.8	Do Accum	36.3	38.8	3.79
54.9	45.9	Scottish	58.4	61.5	2.84
59.4	45.0	Do Accum	58.3	61.4	2.85
		Transatlantic & General Securities.			
		99 New London Rd, Chelmsford. 0245 51651			
66.9	31.3	Barbican (4)	61.5	65.7	4.91
84.0	41.0	Do Accum	81.8	87.3	4.91
154.2	100.0	Barrington Fnd	153.1	160.4	4.81
154.2	100.0	Do Accum	153.1	160.4	4.81
71.8	44.7	Buckingham (4)	68.3	73.4e	2.71
79.7	49.2	Do Accum	76.8	84.7	2.71
98.8	49.4	Colemco	97.2	102.9	4.47
106.9	52.4	Do Accum	108.3	111.5	4.47
142.1	97.4	Endeavour	137.7	145.3e	3.49
48.9	29.3	Glen Fund (2)	40.3	44.1	5.25
62.6	39.0	Do Accum	46.5	50.5	5.25
84.3	41.8	G'chester (5)	84.0	88.9	[illegible]
84.4	41.0	Ldn & Brus'ls	78.5	82.3	6.04
49.1	31.1	Marlborough	48.1	53.2	2.66
51.1	32.6	Do Accum	51.1	56.5	2.66
59.0	36.6	Merlin (1)	58.1	61.1	5.38
63.5	39.4	Do Accum	61.5	67.9	5.38
43.4	23.5	Merlin Yield	40.7	42.9	8.06
47.3	26.4	Do Accum	46.9	49.4	8.06
39.7	19.9	Vanguard (2)	37.8	40.8	3.41
45.3	22.4	Do Accum	43.2	46.1	3.41
48.1	31.0	Wickmoor	48.1	50.4	4.90
52.3	32.4	Do Accum	51.7	54.2	4.90
		Trident Funds.			
		Schlesinger Trust Managers Ltd.			
		140 South St, Dorking. 0306 86441			
22.0	10.7	Performance	17.8	19.2	4.40
30.0	21.9	Income Fund	24.1	26.3	9.40
33.3	15.4	10% Withdrwl	22.7	30.5	..
51.0	32.7	Int Growth	47.3	50.3	2.83
29.9	21.2	Amer Grwth	29.5	30.3	..
24.1	25.0	Nil Yield Fnd	21.1	22.6	..
		Tyndall Managers Ltd.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
92.6	43.2	Income	89.2	84.4	6.79
129.0	62.8	Do Accum	124.9	[illegible]	6.72
101.9	52.8	Capital	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	66.4	Do Accum	117.8	123.8	[illegible]
[illegible]	34.6	Canynge Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.40
104.4	38.4	Do Accum	[illegible]	81.2	4.40
[illegible]	43.0	Exempt*	[illegible]	81.2	4.74
103.4	51.8	Do Accum	91.0	98.8	4.74
79.4	35.6	Local Auth*	[illegible]	80.2	4.07
86.6	44.6	Do Accum	67.2	70.6	4.07
194.6	100.2	Int Earn Fnd	189.6	199.2	4.73
197.4	100.2	Do Accum	192.6	202.4	4.73
		Tyndall National & Commercial.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
114.0	56.4	Income (23)	114.0	119.4	5.69
139.6	80.0	Do Accum	139.6	146.2	5.69
102.8	[illegible]	Capital (22)	100.4	105.0	3.86
113.2	54.6	Do Accum	113.2	118.4	3.86
		Unit Trust Account & Management.			
		5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951			
98.0	62.0	Friars Hse Fnd	93.0	104.0	6.18
24.1	11.9	Gt Winchester	17.4	19.0	6.80
23.9	8.7	Do Overseas	14.0	14.1	3.91

Insurance Bonds and Funds

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abbey Life Assurance Co. Ltd.			
		1-3 St. Paul's Churchyard, EC4P 4DX 01-248 9111			
37.9	15.6	Equity Units (3)	25.3	30.1	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum (3)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
99.6	100.0	Money Fd Unit	99.6	104.9	..
106.9	100.0	Pension Sec	100.7	106.0	..
107.7	100.0	Do Managed	107.7	113.4	..
71.1	[illegible]	Sel Inv (3)	[illegible]	63.6	..
62.2	[illegible]	Do Pen (3)	54.0	[illegible]	..
133.5	94.4	Prop Units (27)	105.2	111.7	..
141.0	89.2	Do Accum (27)	99.4	105.6	..
145.4	94.2	Do Pen (27)	106.1	112.7	..
105.1	100.0	Conv Bnd	105.1	110.7	..
		Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		31 Old Burlington Street, W1. 01-437 5962			
95.4	100.0	Guar Mon Fnd	95.4	100.4	..
96.2	100.0	Do Accum	96.2	101.2	..
127.4	100.0	Equity Fnd	126.8	133.5	..
129.5	100.0	Do Accum	129.0	134.8	..
107.5	100.0	Property Fnd	96.2	101.3	..
98.9	100.0	Do Accum	96.9	102.0	..
96.9	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	96.7	101.8	..
97.5	100.0	Do Accum	97.5	102.6	..
117.1	100.0	Mult Inv Fnd	116.8	122.9	..
117.0	100.0	Do Accum	117.4	123.5	..
96.2	100.0	Guar Mon Pen	96.2	101.2	..
97.1	100.0	Do Accum	97.1	102.2	..
97.0	100.0	Property Pen	97.0	102.1	..
97.9	100.0	Do Accum	97.4	103.0	..
97.5	100.0	Fixed Int Pen	97.5	102.6	..
98.3	100.0	Do Accum	98.3	103.5	..
122.3	100.0	Mult Inv Pen	121.9	128.3	..
123.1	100.0	Do Accum	123.1	129.5	..
		AMEV Life Assurance Ltd.			
		3 Pavilion Bldgs, Brighton, BN1 1EE. 0273 21917			
107.3	100.0	Triad Man Bond	107.3	113.5	..
		Atlantic Assurance.			
		Atlantic Hse, Billingshurst, Sussex. 040-381 3451			
108.7	102.0	All-Weather Ac	108.7	114.4	..
107.2	108.8	Do Capital	107.2	112.8	..
112.0	97.0	Investment Fnd	112.0	..	..
105.0	88.0	Pension Fnd	97.0	..	..
		Barclays Life Assurance Co.			
		Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, E7. 01-534 5521			
88.1	66.0	Barclaybonds	83.8	88.3	..
		Canada Life Assurance.			
		Canada Hse, High St, Potters Bar, Herts. 77 51122			
46.4	24.9	Equity Growth	43.0	..	..
96.8	53.5	Retirement	96.5	..	..
		Cannon Assurance Ltd.			
		1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Units	£ 11.46	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	[illegible]	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Annuity	[illegible]	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Prop Units	73.0	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	[illegible]	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exec Bal	£ 9.57	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exec Equity	£ 9.81	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exec Prop	£ 9.80	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bal Bond	£ 9.51	10.11	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Bond	£ 8.02	8.43	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Prop Bond	£ 9.60	10.25	..
9.69	7.94	Bal Units	£ 9.57	..	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Society.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 6944			
		Valuation last working day of month			
77.1	64.3	1st Units	70.0	73.5	..
50.9	45.8	Prop Units	44.5	48.8	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Co.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 6344			
		Valuation last working day of month.			
46.1	41.6	W'minster Units	41.1	43.1	..
68.3	[illegible]	Land Bank	[illegible]	..	..

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
44.5	33.1	Speculator	33.1	..	..
159.0	131.0	Prop Annuity	132.0	134.6	..
102.8	100.0	Inv Option Bnd	102.8	108.2	..
38.4	34.2	Equity Fnd	38.1	40.1	..
		2nd Managed Fund.			
121.1	48.9	Performance	119.7	..	..
119.0	113.2	Balanced	119.0	125.2	..
100.0	100.0	Guarantee	100.0	..	..
		Commercial Union Group.			
		St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 01-283 7500			
33.6	18.4	Variable An Acc	32.5	..	..
18.6	10.2	Do Ann	12.9	..	..
		Cornhill Insurance.			
		32 Cornhill, London, EC3. 01-626 5410			
		Valuation 15th of month.			
110.0	63.5	Capital Fnd	105.5	..	..
48.5	25.0	GS Special	40.0	..	..
119.5	85.0	Man Grwth (23)	119.5	126.0	..
		Crown Life Fund Insurance Co.			
		Addiscombe Rd, Croydon. 01-686 4300			
110.4	91.3	Crown Brit Inv	110.4	..	..
		Crusader Insurance.			
		Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3. 01-626 8031			
		Valuation 1st Tuesday of month.			
61.8	50.5	Crusader Prop	51.2	53.8e	..
		Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance.			
		PO Box 173, NLA Tower, Croydon. 01-681 1031			
40.1	22.7	Eagle Units	36.2	37.6	6.71
40.7	22.8	Midland Units	36.2	37.6	6.71
		Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd.			
		30 Charles II St, SW1. 01-930 2404			
46.9	31.5	Am Grth Fnd (1)	46.9	49.4	..
21.0	13.9	Flexible Fnd	21.0	22.0	..
44.4	32.9	Int Inv Trst	44.4	46.3	..
46.9	33.1	Do Cap	46.9	49.3	..
		Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.			
		Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-283 7107			
128.4	131.9	Prop Bond	128.4	133.8	..
97.4	59.9	Pen Man Bonds	97.4	102.5	..
		Hambro Life Assurance.			
		7 Old Park Lane, London, W1. 01-499 0031			
106.0	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	106.0	110.6	..
119.5	75.2	Equity	118.5	124.8	..
134.7	106.3	Property	116.2	122.4	..
107.8	73.1	Managed Cap	104.7	110.3	..
118.7	90.7	Do Accum	118.0	124.3	..
142.5	134.0	Pen Prop Cap	131.0	137.9	..
157.3	151.8	Do Accum	151.7	159.7	..
135.1	121.0	Pen Man Cap	135.7	142.9	..
160.1	131.5	Do Accum	160.1	168.5	..
101.1	100.0	Pen FI Cap	106.1	112.9	..
112.3	100.0	Do Accum	112.3	118.3	..
		Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.			
		Euston Rd, London, NW1. 01-387 5020			
35.2	29.6	Prop Bond	29.0	30.5	..
		Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd.			
		NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon. 01-686 4355			
150.5	122.8	HS Prop Units	119.0	125.1	..
114.2	76.4	Fortune Man (5)	114.0	120.1	..
101.7	100.0	Money Fnd	101.7	107.1	..
		Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		114/116 St Mary St, Cardiff. 42577			
49.9	27.3	Hodge Bonds	46.4	48.9	..
54.4	40.0	Takeover	53.8	56.7	..
33.7	25.0	Hodge Life Eg	33.7	35.0	..
23.7	25.0	Mortgage Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Conv High Yld	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Overseas Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
		Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada			
		Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 71255			
49.4	32.2	Growth Fnd (5)	47.7	51.8	..
41.1	30.3	Pension Fnd	40.2	43.7	..
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd.			
		45 South St, Eastbourne. BN21 4UT. 0323 36711			
102.0	68.0	Equities	102.0	107.4	..
118.0	103.5	Fixed Int	117.8	124.1	..
114.4	95.4	Managed	114.1	120.2	..
104.3	102.2	Property	104.3	109.8	..
109.9	100.0	MoneyFund	102.7	105.7	..
112.8	99.2	King & Shaxson	111.5	113.8	..
104.6	100.0	Commodity	102.7	108.1	..
100.8	99.3	Growth	100.2	105.3	..
105.6	100.0	Capital	105.1	110.7	..
99.5	96.8	Income	99.5	104.7	..
120.5	100.0	International	120.1	126.8	..
		Investment Annuity Life Assurance.			
		9 Devereux Court, London, WC2. 01-353 5897			
107.6	59.5	Lion Equity	89.2	..	..
113.3	76.9	Do Accum	105.4	..	..
63.2	48.2	Lion Man Grwth	50.2	53.0	..
61.5	42.4	Do Cap	43.7	46.2	..
73.6	52.5	Lion Prop Fnd	54.7	..	..
76.1	46.1	Lion High Yield	56.3	..	..
111.8	82.8	Do Equity Pen	111.8	..	..
73.8	54.7	Do Prop Pen	[illegible]	..	..
70.6	52.9	Do H Yld Pen	65.8	..	..
		Irish Life Assurance.			
		11 Finsbury Sq, London, EC2. 01-628 8253			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Prop Modules	136.9	144.1	5.36
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Grwth (31)	136.9	144.1	..
[illegible]	100.0	Managed Fnd	126.0	135.8	..
55.5	[illegible]	Blue Chip Fnd	54.7	57.6	4.30
		Langham Life Assurance.			
		Mindal Hse, Finsbury Sq, EC2. 01-628 8881			
[illegible]	105.6	Property Bnd	103.2	108.6	..
30.2	[illegible]	Spec Prop Fnd	21.5	22.6	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Wisp Bond (34)	47.2	49.7	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital Accum	[illegible]	..	..
55.9	52.9	W1SP (Spec Man)	55.9	58.9	..
		Life & Equity Assurance Co Ltd.			
		1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
29.5	[illegible]	Secure Bnl	28.5	30.5	..
33.5	28.0	Select Inv	24.0	25.3	..
23.0	19.0	Do Bnd	19.0	20.5	..
25.0	19.5	Gilt Fnd	24.5	26.5	..
24.0	[illegible]	Equity Fnd	19.0	20.5	..
100.5	[illegible]	Deposit Fnd	100.5	106.0	..
		Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd.			
		12 Leadenhall St, EC3 [illegible] 01-623 6621			
122.6	100.0	Mult Growth Fnd	..	138.0	..
95.6	[illegible]	Opt 4 Equity	95.1	100.2	..
102.6	[illegible]	Do Property	102.6	108.1	..
109.1	[illegible]	Do High Yield	108.1	111.8	..
104.7	99.9	Do Managed	104.6	110.2	..
[illegible]	100.0	Do Deposit	101.2	106.6	..
107.0	100.0	Pen Dep Fnd	107.0	112.7	..
160.2	142.3	Do Equity Fnd	160.2	168.7	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do FI Fnd	115.0	121.1	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Man Fnd	121.6	128.1	..
103.6	100.0	Do Prop Fnd	103.6	109.1	..
		Manufacturers Life Insurance.			
		Manulife Hse, Stevenage, Herts. 0438 56101			
29.9	[illegible]	Manulife (5)	28.9	30.4	..
		Merchant Investors Assurance.			
		125 High Street, Croydon. 01-686 9171			
102.2	[illegible]	Conv Dep Bnd	102.2	..	..
106.4	100.0	Do Pension	106.4	..	..
73.9	38.8	Equity Bond	52.7	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Pension	123.4	..	..
115.3	[illegible]	Managed Bond	86.6	..	..
100.2	89.3	Do Pension	93.9	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Money Market	114.9	..	..
123.0	[illegible]	Do Pension	119.1	..	..
150.5	97.6	Property Bond	99.9	..	..
145.1	94.2	Do Pension	96.3	..	..
		M & G Assurance.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Bond (4)	97.1	101.1	..
77.0	42.3	Do Bonus	67.7	70.5	..
[illegible]	42.4	Int'l Bnd (4)	70.3	74.6	..
112.1	66.2	Fam Bnd 1976	112.1	..	..
113.8	66.9	Do 1977-80	88.4	..	..
113.4	[illegible]	Do 1981-86	117.5	..	..
[illegible]	67.5	Managed Bonds	96.8	101.6	..
[illegible]	29.4	Mirror Bonds	43.3	..	..
129.0	[illegible]	Pers Pen (5)	126.2	130.0	..
120.0	100.4	Prop Fnd (4)	105.4	110.7	..
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
129.6	[illegible]	Norwich Man (3)	126.6	133.3	..
191.3	[illegible]	Do Equity (3)	191.3	201.4	..
[illegible]	100.0	Do Prop (3)	97.5	102.6	..
97.0	99.0	Do Fxd Int (3)	97.0	102.1	..
113.3	54.3	Do Units (28)	113.3	..	..
		Pearl-Montagu Assurance.			
		252 High Holborn, London, EC2. 01-558 6464			
105.6	96.5	Prop Units	95.7	100.9	..
		Phoenix Assurance.			
		4-5 King William St, EC4 01-626 9876			
[illegible]	59.9	Wealth Ass Bnd	81.4	85.8	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ebor Ass (31)	[illegible]	..	..
52.3	39.9	Ebor Endow (32)	52.3	54.9	..
		Property Equity & Life Ass Co.			
		119 Crawford St, London, W1. 01-486 0857			
[illegible]	[illegible]	R Silk Prop Bnd	144.2	..	..
[illegible]	100.0	Do Bal AcBnd	100.9	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Series (2)	97.1	..	..
93.1	67.3	Do Managed	71.9	..	..
102.7	67.6	Do Equity Bnd	84.3	..	..
113.3	100.0	Do Flex Mny	113.3	..	..
		Property Growth Assurance.			
		111 Westminster Bridge Rd, SE1 7JP. 01-928 0351			
176.0	147.5	Prop Grwth (20)	144.5	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ag Bond (29)	40.0	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Abb Nat PG (29)	127.0	..	..
[illegible]	48.6	Abbey Inc (29)	34.2	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Equity	129.7	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Money	121.0	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ret Annuity (29)	126.8	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Immed Ann (29)	108.0	..	..
		Prudential Pensions Ltd.			
		Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222			
17.22	[illegible]	Equity	£ 15.38	15.86	..
11.65	10.01	Fixed Int	£ 11.24	11.51	..
19.60	16.48	Property	£ 16.96	17.48	..
		Reliance Mutual Insurance Society Ltd.			
		Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 0892 22271			
170.0	136.6	Rel Prop Bnd	140.8	..	..

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-554 8899			
96.0	79.2	Bal Bnd	93.2	98.2	..
91.5	54.7	Equity Bnd	91.3	96.2	..
22.0	13.6	Mini Bond (4)	21.0	22.0	..
124.3	100.3	Prop Fnd (30)	105.8	111.4	..
		Schroder Life Group.			
		18-24 Maltravers St, WC2. 01-836 3883			
98.5	100.0	Deposit Bnd (5)	96.5	101.7	..
101.4	100.0	Fixed Interest	100.7	106.1	..
93.2	63.6	Flexible Fnd	92.2	97.1	..
155.1	87.1	Equity Fnd	155.1	..	..
155.1	80.6	Do 2nd Ser	154.5	163.9	..
133.1	100.0	PenFndCap	133.1	140.2	..
142.0	100.0	PenFndAccum	142.0	149.4	..
95.9	100.0	Prop Fnd (3)	95.7	100.8	..
		Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance.			
		9 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031-225 1291			
264.1	185.7	Inv Policy	264.1	272.0	..
		Standard Life Assurance Co.			
		PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh. 031-225 7971			
91.9	41.8	Unit Endowm't	91.9	..	..
		Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd.			
		2-4 Cockspur St, SW1. 01-930 5400			
131.8	70.7	Maple Leaf (3)	130.9	..	..
126.8	102.8	Personal Pens	126.8	..	..
		Target Life Assurance.			
		Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
100.0	100.0	Deposit Inc	100.0	105.4	..
107.4	88.2	Fixed Interest	105.3	111.3	..
94.1	80.3	Man Fnd Acc	93.6	98.2	..
93.1	80.6	Do Income	89.0	94.2	..
120.0	85.0	Prop Bnd Inv	88.8	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Income	87.7	92.2	..
143.0	99.0	Do Accum	101.9	..	..
53.2	30.7	Ret Ann Pen Cap	51.5	53.2	..
57.5	32.9	Do Accum	57.2	61.2	..
		Trident Life.			
		Renslade Hse, Gloucester. 0452 36541			
107.2	81.0	Trident Man	105.5	111.6	..
118.1	93.5	Do Guar Man	114.9	121.0	..
107.0	102.0	Do Property	107.0	112.8	..
90.0	58.3	Do Equity	82.4	86.9	..
110.9	89.9	Do High Yield	110.2	116.1	..
102.5	100.0	Do Money	102.5	108.1	..
100.0	100.0	DoFiscalFnd	100.0	105.5	..
112.0	28.5	Do Bonds	46.0	48.5	..
93.30	82.10	Gilt Edged(f)	90.70	..	..
		Tyndall Assurance.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
145.4	79.4	Prop Fnd (19)	84.8	..	..
125.8	75.4	3 Way Fnd (19)	97.8	..	..
		Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd.			
		41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R 9LA. 01-499 4923			
142.6	75.0	Equity Fnd	142.6	150.2	..
106.5	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	105.0	110.6	..
103.0	100.0	Property Fnd	103.0	108.5	..
99.6	93.6	Cash Fund	99.6	104.9	..
102.0	72.9	Managed Fnd	102.0	107.4	..
		Welfare Insurance.			
		The Leas, Folkestone, Kent. 0303 57333			
233.0	100.0	Capital Grwth	128.5	..	..
94.4	71.7	Flexible Fnd	79.1	..	..
88.8	81.5	Inv Fnd	88.7	..	..
131.8	73.5	Prop Fnd	73.5	..	..
98.7	73.9	Money Maker	78.1	..	..

Offshore and International Funds

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abacus Arbuthnot Unit Trust Management Ltd.			
		1 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey, C.I. 0534 25561			
86.0	35.7	Red Part Pref	85.0	88.7e	2.10
		Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey, C.I. 0534 37606			
99.6	60.3	Europ'n Ster	96.7	102.4	..
		Barclay Unicorn International (Ch Is) Ltd.			
		Church St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37306			
43.3	37.7	Jer Guer O'seas	43.3	45.6	11.28
		Barclays Unicorn International (I.O.M.) Ltd.			
		30 Victoria St, Douglas, I.O.M. 0624 4856			
66.7	34.8	Aust Ext Tst	55.5	59.4	3.00
22.8	13.0	Aust Min Tst	22.0	23.5e	2.50
50.4	40.0	Isle of Man Tst	50.4	53.1	8.00
43.0	16.7	Manx Mutual	23.8	25.6	2.30
		Brandts & Grindley (Jersey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 30, Broad St, St Helier.			
149.0	78.0	Brandt Jersey	112.0	121.0e	6.03
150.0	86.0	Do Accum	132.0	142.0e	5.05
		Brandts Ltd.			
		36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3. 01-626 6599			
70.54	53.23	O'seas Fnd	$ 64.66	..	..
		Calvin Bullock Ltd.			
		60 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 01-283 5453			
814.0	535.0	Bullock Fnd	800.0	917.0e	1.30
631.0	518.0	Canadian Fnd	615.0	709.0e	1.74
297.0	238.0	Canadian Inv	290.0	336.0	2.17
287.0	140.0	Div Shares	204.0	235.0	2.05
729.0	489.0	Ny Venture Fnd	721.0	830.0	..
		Charterhouse Japhet.			
		1 Paternoster Row, EC4. 01-248 3999			
31.90	24.30	Adiropa DM	29.70	31.30	7.32
53.70	29.20	Adiverba DM	51.50	54.20	6.46
32.90	25.50	Fondak DM	31.00	32.70	6.73
24.10	19.90	Fondis DM	23.40	24.70	7.29
68.50	39.00	Gen O'seas Swfr	43.50	47.50	3.58
60.20	56.50	Hispano $	64.06	67.30	1.81
		Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 157, St Julians Ct, St Peters, Guernsey			
151.0	91.9	Int Cap Man (20)	151.0	164.5	..
		Ebor Management (Jersey).			
		37 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 20591			
191.3	111.5	Channel Cap	189.9	199.0e	2.27
102.5	64.6	Channel Isles	101.3	106.6	3.67
		Eurosyndicat Group.			
		Agents, N. M. Rothschild and Sons.			
		New Ct, St Swithin's Lane, EC4. 01-626 4356			
1.772	1.282	Eurunion Luxfr	1.717	1.786	5.04
330.0	253.0	Fin Union Luxfr	313.0	328.0	5.53
		Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 86, St Peter Port, Guernsey. 0481 26521			
104.7	62.9	Channel Isle	91.1	97.8	6.30
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd.			
		45 South St, Eastbourne BN21 4UT. 0323 36711			
110.9	100.0	Foreign Fix Int	110.9	116.6e	5.20
103.6	100.0	Do Equity	101.7	108.2	..
		Kayanday Bermuda Management Ltd.			
		Atlas Hse, PO Box 1029, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.			
1.37	1.15	Bishopsgate N.A.	1.37	1.43	..
		Lamont Investment Management Ltd.			
		8 St Georges St, Douglas, I.O.M. Douglas 4682			
25.0	17.4	Int Income (3)	23.7	25.3e	8.00
		Manx International Management.			
		30 Victoria St, Douglas, I.O.M. 0624 4356			
139.9	87.0	Gtr Pacific	119.5	127.8	..
46.6	34.5	Manx Int Inc	45.9	49.1	7.00
102.1	71.1	Sch Growth (27)	73.6	74.3	..
		M & G Group.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
96.6	55.8	Island Fnd	87.5	90.3e	4.06
130.6	70.1	Do Accum†	110.8	114.3	4.06
1.68	1.29	Atlantic Exp $	1.32	1.56	..
2.26	1.10	Aust & Gen $	1.51	1.55	..
		Old Court Fund Managers Ltd.			
		PO Box 58, St Julians Ct, Guernsey. 0481 26331			
43.4	36.6	Old Ct Eq (34)	42.3	44.8e	5.72
100.8	83.9	Old Ct Int (35)	100.8	107.2	..
102.1	84.1	Smaller Co's	102.3	110.8	9.05
		Oliver Heath & Co.			
		31 Malew St, Castletown, I.O.M. 0624 823743			
109.3	81.9	Brit Conv Tst	109.1	114.8	14.00
118.8	100.0	Conv Rights Tst	116.8	123.0	9.00
		4 Irish Place, Gibraltar. Telex GK 245			
144.2	110.0	Gib Inv Tst	116.4	122.6e	5.70
133.5	76.1	Key City Inv	98.0	113.0	..
78.1	24.9	Warrant Fnd	69.9	73.5	..
		Slater Walker (Jersey).			
		2-6 Church St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37361			
247.0	125.7	Growth Inv	228.6	239.0	3.00
87.3	43.0	Int'l Fnd	84.5	89.7	3.00
130.0	100.0	Jersey Energy	128.1	139.6	1.60
		Stellar Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Victory Hse, Prospect Hill, Douglas, I.O.M. 23911			
55.9	27.9	Growth (10)	54.5	59.0	4.10
		Target Trust Managers (Cayman) Ltd.			
		PO Box 710, Grand Cayman, Cayman Is.			
1.03	0.43	Offshore $	0.66	0.69	..
		Tyndall Overseas Funds Managers Ltd.			
		PO Box 1256, Hamilton, Bermuda.			
1.27	0.91	Overseas $	1.17	1.22	6.00
1.52	1.12	Do Accum $	1.49	1.57	6.00
		Tyndall Managers (Jersey) Ltd.			
		43 La Motte St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37331			
10.50	5.80	Overseas Str £	7.30	7.70	6.00
12.45	7.00	Do Accum £	9.25	9.65	6.00

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FINANCE & INVESTMENT

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DIVIDEND NOTICES

BRASCAN LIMITED (Incorporated under the laws of Canada)

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of this Company has declared a QUARTERLY DIVIDEND of twenty-five (25) cents per share (in United States funds) on the Company's Class A convertible ordinary shares without nominal or par value, payable on July 31, 1975 to shareholders of record at the close of business on July 1, 1975.

The dividend on Class A convertible ordinary shares represented by share warrants to bearer will be paid against surrender of coupon No. 147 at one of the places of payment specified below.

Payment of this dividend to non-residents of Canada will, where applicable, be subject to deduction of Canadian Non-Resident Income Tax.

Notice is also given that the Board of Directors of the Company has declared a quarterly dividend of twenty-one and one-quarter (21¼) cents per share (in United States funds), payable out of tax-paid undistributed surplus on hand, on the Company's Class B convertible ordinary shares without nominal or par value, payable July 31, 1975 to shareholders of record at the close of business on July 1, 1975.

Places at which coupons may be lodged for payment:
In Belgium, at Brussels:
Societe Generale de Banque, S.A.
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In France, at Paris:
Lloyds Bank International (France) Limited.
In Luxembourg, at Luxembourg:
Banque Generale du Luxembourg S.A.
In the Netherlands, at Amsterdam:
Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank, N.V.
In Switzerland, at Geneva:
Lloyds Bank International Limited.
In the United Kingdom, at London:
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.
In Canada, at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Main Branch, Commerce Court, Toronto, Ontario.

For the convenience of holders of bearer share warrants, arrangements have been made for the payment of coupons in United States currency against surrender thereof, accompanied by completed listing forms, at any of the afore-*mentioned places, and subject* to regulations in force at each place of payment.

Listing forms and full information as to the procedure to be followed can be obtained in Brussels, from Societe Generale de Banque, S.A.; in Frankfurt am Main, Paris, Luxembourg, Amsterdam, Geneva or Toronto, from the banks there specified, or in the United Kingdom from the Company's Agents, Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, 88 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 3DT, England.

Dated at Toronto, Canada, the 3rd day of June, 1975.

By Order of the Board
L. A. ALLEN,
Secretary.

The Transfer Agents of the Company are National Trust Company Limited, Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Calgary, Winnipeg and Halifax, Canada; and the First National City Bank, New York, N.Y., U.S.A., who should be notified promptly of any change of address.

BRITANNIC ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of 2½ per cent (tax free) *has been declared* on the 5 per cent (tax free) Cumulative Preference Stock of the Company for the half-year ended June 30, 1975, payable to Preference Stockholders registered in the books of the Company at the close of business on June 11, 1975.

The warrants will be posted on June 30, 1975.

By Order of the Board.
B. E. DUFFY,
Secretary.

COMPANY MEETING NOTICES

COMPANHIA DE DIAMANTES DE ANGOLA
(Angola Diamond Company)

Notice is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Companhia de Diamantes de Angola will be held at the Head *Office of the Company*, 12, Rua dos Fanqueiros, Lisbon, on the 27th June 1975, at 10 a.m. with the following Agenda:

1. Changing of the Head Office.
2. Alteration of Articles 2, 3, 14 and 19 of the Company's Statutes.

Holders of Bearer Shares who wish to be present at the Meeting will have to deposit their shares: In Lisbon at the Head Office of the Company, or at the Banco de Angola, or at the Caixa Geral de Depositos Credito e Previdencia, or the Banco Nacional Ultramarino, or the Banco Espirito Santo e Comercial de Lisboa, or the Banco Fonsecas e Burnay, or the Banco Totta e Acores or the Banco Portugues do Atlantico, or the Banco Pinto e Sotto Mayor, or the Credit Franco-Portugais, or the Bankers Pancada Moraes & Cia. In Brussels: at the Société Générale de Banque. In London: at the Anglo-Portuguese Bank Ltd. or the *Banque Belge or* Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York. In New York: at the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and in Luxembourg: at the Banque Générale de Luxembourg.

Shares must be deposited in sufficient time to enable the advice of deposit from the above mentioned Banks to reach the Head Office of the Company on or before the 21st of June, 1975. Any shares so deposited will only be released on the day after the closing of the Meeting.

By Order of the Board.
F. NEUBERGH,
Financial Agent.

Lisbon, 3rd June 1975.

COMPANY NOTICES

CENTRAL LINE SECURITIES Limited (Incorporated in England, No. 314402).

SPECIAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Company has received special notice of the intention to PROPOSE the re-election of Mr. A. F. S. SYKES, C.V.O. (Chairman), who has attained the age of 71, at the 38th Annual General Meeting to be held at Saddlers' Hall, Gutter Lane, London, E.C.2, on Thursday, 26th June 1975 at 2.30 p.m.

L. M. JOYCE
for the Secretaries

Registered Office: Sir John Lyon House, 5 High Timber Street, London EC4V 3LL.

4th June, 1975.

CONTRACTS AND TENDERS

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COMPANY NOTICES

PIONEER MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company will be held on Monday, June 30, 1975, at Pioneer House, 16 Crosby Road North, Liverpool L22 0NY, at 11 a.m. for the following purposes:
1. To receive the Directors' Report and the accounts for the year ended December 31, 1974 with the auditors' report thereon.
2. To elect Directors.
3. To appoint Auditors.
4. To transact any other ordinary business that may be transacted at any Annual General Meeting.

Dated June 4, 1975.
By Order of the Board.
F. H. C. BETTS,
D. BLEAZARD.
Joint Secretaries.

NOTE.—A Member entitled to attend and vote at the above mentioned meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him but such proxy must be a Member of the Company.

LEGAL NOTICES
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EDICTAL CITATION: SHORT FORM OF PROCESS
Case No. 2455
In the SUPREME COURT of SOUTH AFRICA (Transvaal Provincial Division) in the matter between LOUIS ADRIAAN DANIEL ROUX Plaintiff and MICHELLE PAMELA ROUX (born van Deventer) Defendant.

To: MICHELLE PAMELA ROUX an adult European female, a nurse formerly residing at Vernon House 5th Street, Marks Square, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1, but whose present whereabouts are unknown.

TAKE NOTICE that by summons sued out of this court, you have been CALLED up to give NOTICE within ONE month after publication hereof, to the Registrar and to the Plaintiff's Attorneys of your INTENTION to DEFEND (if any) in an action wherein LOUIS ADRIAAN DANIEL ROUX claims:
1. An order for the restitution of conjugal rights and failing compliance therewith:
(a) Divorce;
(b) Forfeiture of the benefits of the marriage in community of property.
2. Alternative relief.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that if you fail to give such notice, judgment may be granted against you without further reference to you.

DATED AT PRETORIA THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 1975.
(Sgd.) J. H. L. van Vreden
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(Sgd.) T. Du Plessis
ODENDAAL, VAN EEDEN & DU PLESSIS,
Plaintiff's Attorneys,
8th Floor, Merino Building,
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PRETORIA.
(Ref. Mr. Tiaard du Plessis—Tel. Nr. 29226)

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N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Liquidator, Atlantic House (O.R.), Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of TRECMORE TRANSPORT Limited. Nature of Business: Haulage contractors.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 21 April 1975.
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS, 18th June 1975, Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD 12.00 noon.
CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 12.. o'clock.
D. A. WILLIAMS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of HODGKISS & HUGHES Limited. Nature of Business: Builders.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 19th May, 1975.
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 18th June, 1975, Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD. 3.30 o'clock.
CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 4. o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 1967 AVIAGENTS Limited.
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Dated this thirtieth day of May 1975.
By Order of the Board
K. O. Goodchild
Secretary

THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 LAVENDER FARM (ASCOT) Limited
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at Salisbury Square House, Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8HH on Monday, 16th day of June 1975, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.
Dated this 29th day of May 1975.
By Order of the Board.
M. T. SAGGERS,
Secretary

THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 FORBES INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS Limited
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Dated this 29th day of May 1975.
By Order of the Board.
M. T. SAGGERS,
Secretary

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of GRAHAM MARTIN CO. Limited Nature of Business: Commodity dealers.
WINDING UP ORDER MADE April 1975.
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 19 June, 1975, Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 2 o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, the Matter of J. M. MARKETING SERVICES Limited Nature of Business: Market Research Consultant.
WINDING up ORDER MADE 2 April 1975.
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 19th June 1975, Room 239 Templar House 81 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6NP 4.00 o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of BARRY CHUCK & COMPANY Limited Nature of Business: Builders etc.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE May 1975
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 30th June 1975, Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11. o'clock
CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 11. o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of CITY PAVING Limited Nature of Business: Groundwork subcontractors
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE May 1975
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 18th June 1975, Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11. o'clock
CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 11. o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of GREAT WESTERN (CATERING) Limited. Nature of Business: Take away food shops and restaurants.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 12th May, 1975.
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CREDITORS 19th June, 1975, Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6NP. 11.00 o'clock.
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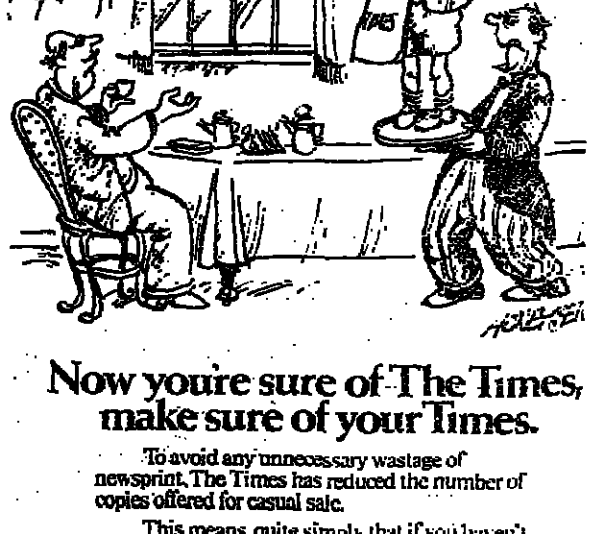
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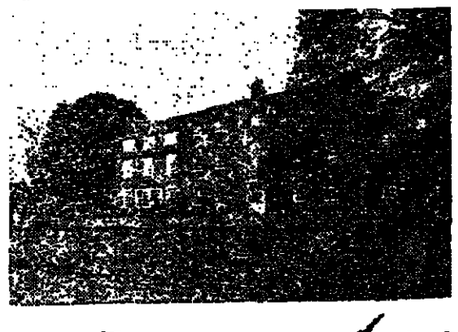
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COPEMAN.—On June 3rd, 1975, at Westminster Hospital, to Lindsay and Peter—a daughter.

DAVIS.—On 4 June, to Liz (nee Simmons) and Pat, 7th Gurkha Rifles at 3 RAR Woodside Camp, [illegible], Australia—a son.

DYSON.—On June 3, at County Hospital, Lincoln, to Susan (nee Hooper) and Timothy Dyson—a son.

ECCLESTONE.—On 27th May, to Mary (nee Quickc) and Barry—a daughter, Ruth Margaret.

FENTON.—On 3rd June, to Paddy (nee Eldridge) and Robin—a son, Toby Michael, brother for Gemma [illegible].

GARRETT.—On 3rd June, to Davis and Shirley of Edenbridge, Kent —a daughter, Caroline.

KERR.—On 2nd May at Elmaing [illegible] Maternity Hospital, to Elizabeth (nee Beckett) a son—Duncan Andrew, a brother for Rachel.

LEE.—On June 3, in Australia to Pamela (nee Carvell) and Michael Lee—a son (Jeremy Craig).

TAYLOR.—On June 2, at Wellingborough, to Catherine (nee Barnard) and Alan Taylor — a daughter (Sarah Louise).

MARRIAGE

ARCHIBALD : TURBARD.—On 31st May, 1975, in London, John Gordon Archibald, of Highgate, London, to Marion Beryl Turbard, of Wickford, Essex.

DEATHS

ALDERSLEY.—On 3rd June, 1975, in hospital in Oxford, Wilfrid Aldersley, of 75 Blandford Avenue, Oxford, aged 80. Funeral [illegible].

ARCHIE.—On June 3, 1975, after a short illness, aged [illegible], of [illegible], Bucks, adored husband of [illegible], dearly loved father of Brian, Marian and [illegible]. Funeral [illegible] Crematorium, Chilterns [illegible]. No flowers.

ARONSTAM.—On 4th June, 1975, suddenly but peacefully, at [illegible], [illegible] Aronstam, beloved husband of [illegible] and father of [illegible]. Funeral private.

BERG.—On June 4, Bernard, dearly loved husband of Zena and father of Robert and Alan. Funeral today, 5th June at [illegible] p.m. at Willesden [illegible].

BRODIE.—On June 3, 1975, Betty Lucy (nee Brodie), much loved wife of Peter, mother of Andrew. Funeral private. Donations, if desired, to Cancer Research, [illegible], Midland Bank, Pall Mall, London, SW1.

BUTLER, MICHAEL WILLIAM, Royal Navy, on June 4, 1975. Service St. Martin's Church, [illegible], Friday, 6th June, 10 a.m. Cremation private. No flowers. Contributions to Royal Marsden Hospital, Downs Road, Sutton, Surrey.

COHEN.—On June 3, in hospital, Helen Constance (Connie), aged [illegible], widow of Jack, mother of Beatrice and Antony.

CUTLER.—On June 2, peacefully, at his home, Tye Farm, Gorse Lane, Hayling Island, George, aged 81 years. Cremation at Chichester, on Tuesday, June 10, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers and inquiries to Grady Funeral Director, 23 Mengham Road, Hayling Island 3828.

EAST.—On June 3, 1975, at the Princess Margaret Hospital, Swindon, Rupert Moultrie East, D.L., O.B.E., of Home Farm, [illegible], dearly loved husband of Jacqueline and father of Jane and Michael. Funeral Service at St. Andrew's Church, Shrivenham, on Tuesday 10 June at 2 p.m. Flowers may be sent to A. E. Smith & Son, Funeral Directors, Queens Drive, Swindon, Wilts. Tel: Swindon 2[illegible].

GORDON.—On the 31st, suddenly, Dr. Robert Louis Gordon, of 10 King [illegible] Road, Totley, Sheffield. Dear husband of Irene and father of Susan and Louise. Service at St. James's Church, Norton, Sheffield, on Thursday, June 5th at 12 noon followed by cremation at Hutcliffe Wood at 1 p.m. Enquiries to G. & M. Lunt, Funeral Directors, Abbey Lane, Sheffield. Phone (0742) 743598. No flowers, please, but donations, if desired, to the Secretary, Royal School of Church Music, Addington Palace, Croydon, Surrey, CR9 5AD.

HANNING.—On June 3, peacefully, at home, Valentine Mary, beloved mother of Guy and Hugh and widow of John Rowland Hanning, of Walton, Surrey. Funeral Service at [illegible] Parish Church, at 2.45 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, followed by private cremation at St. John's, Woking.

HAYWARD.—On 4th June, 1975, at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, after a long illness, Tom Christopher Hayward, C.B.E., of Threeways, Cartong Close, Aldwick, West Sussex, much loved husband of Sybil and father of Timothy and Josephine. Funeral private. Memorial service to be announced later. No flowers. Donations, if desired, to King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Sussex.

JERROLD.—On June 3rd at Lower Meadow, Stratford-on-Avon, Phyllis Jerrold, formerly of Spa Lodge, Stratford on Avon.

JOHN.—On June 3rd in Salisbury Infirmary, Vivian Llewelyn, brother of Barbara. Cremation 2.30 p.m., Monday, June 9th, at Salisbury Crematorium. Any enquiries to H. A. Harrold & Son, 17 Estcourt Road, Salisbury.

KNOX-LITTLE.—On Tuesday, June 3, 1975, at Colchester Hospital, William John (Bill), beloved husband of Kate.

LAVER.—On June 3, at Blackheath, James Laver, C.B.E., father of Patrick and Brigid. Cremation private. Memorial service to be announced later.

McCLINTOCK.—On June 1, 1975, suddenly, at a Jersey Nursing Home, Alastair G. McClintock, of Maison Figuier, Bel Royal, Jersey, C.I., beloved husband of Margaret and father of Fiona, Virginia and Duncan. No letters, please. Cremation has taken place privately in Jersey. Interment of cremated remains at All Saints, Banstead, on Saturday, June 7, at 12 noon. All enquiries to The Northover Funeral Home, Church Street, Reigate. Phone 0737 242255, to whom cut flowers may be sent.

MORONEY.—On June 3rd, 1975, suddenly, Grace Enid (Pip) Moroney, of Treeps Cottage, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, loved sister of Derrick Norman Lawley. Funeral will take place at the Downs Crematorium, Brighton, on Friday, 6th June, at 11.45 a.m. Cut flowers only please, to Wm. Collins & Son, Mill Road, Burgess Hill, Sussex.

NEEDHAM.—On June 3, peacefully in hospital, Keith, husband of Joan and father of Derek, Peter, Merrall and the late Colin and Patricia, of The Grange, Ellesmere, aged 85. Cremation, Monday, 9 June, 2 p.m. at Shrewsbury.

OULD.—On June 4th at Somerset West, South Africa, Mabel (nee Sealby), widow of Roger Ould, in her 91st year.

PECK-BRIGGS.—On June 3rd, 1975, at her home in Hove, Vera Vaughan Peck-Briggs, greatly loved mother of Jack. Funeral private. Please, no letters.

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RICHARDSON. — On June 4th, Contessa Lincetta de Castelvecchio, peacefully, at her home Gorton Parva, near Warminster, formerly Serena, Professor of Italian in the University of Birmingham. Funeral at 2.45 at Boyton on Monday, June 9th, followed by private cremation. Cut flowers to Boyton by Saturday if possible for church decoration.

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THOMERSON.—On May 31st, 1975, peacefully, in hospital, after a short illness, Mary Olivia, of Woodford, in her 75th year. Beloved wife of the late G. T. Thomerson and younger daughter of Thomas and Emma Greenacre. Funeral service on Tuesday, 10th June at the City of London Cemetery, Aldersbrook Park, E.12. Flowers and all enquiries to W. English & Son Ltd., 146 George Lane, South Woodford, E.18. Tel.: [illegible].

THORNE.—On 3rd June, Arthur Henry, of Perry Cottage, Wendover, peacefully, at Princess Mary's RAF Hospital, Halton, uncle, great uncle and great great uncle. Loved by all who knew him. Service at St. Mary's Church, Wendover, on Friday, 6th June followed by cremation at Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham. Flowers to Frank Wood, Wendover Ltd., Aylesbury Road, Wendover, Bucks.

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WEARN.—On June 4, 1975, at his home, Old Forge, Wendons Ambo, Saffron Walden, Arthur Charles Wearn, aged 87 years. Funeral service, Tuesday, June 10th at Wendons Ambo Parish Church, at 2.15 p.m. followed by cremation at Cambridge, at 3.30 p.m. No flowers, by request.

WELCH.—On June 3, 1975, in hospital, Major Robert Hall Welch, D.S.O., of Edenbreck, Lancaster, husband of the late Minnie Welch and father of Marigold. Service: Lancaster Priory Church, Friday, June 6, at 12.30 p.m., followed by private cremation.

FUNERAL

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

FRANKLIN, MARJORIE.—A memorial meeting is to be held on Thursday, June 12, at 6.30 p.m., at Friends House, Euston Road (opposite Euston Station). David Wills and other speakers.

PILDITCH.—A service of thanksgiving for Lady Joyce Pilditch will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Bredfield, Suffolk, on Sunday, June 15 at 2.30 p.m.

PLUNKET.—A memorial service for Lord Plunket will be held at the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, 12th June.

ROTHES.—A memorial service for the 20th Earl of Rothes will be held at the church of St. Mary-le-Bow on Thursday, June 19th at 12 noon.

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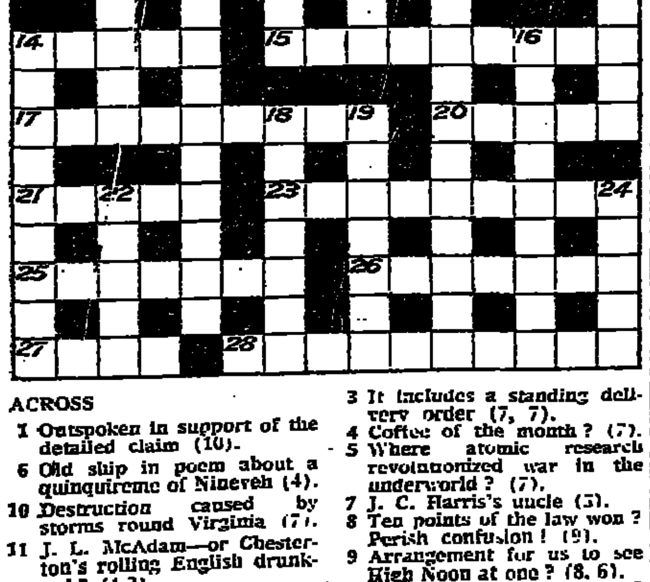
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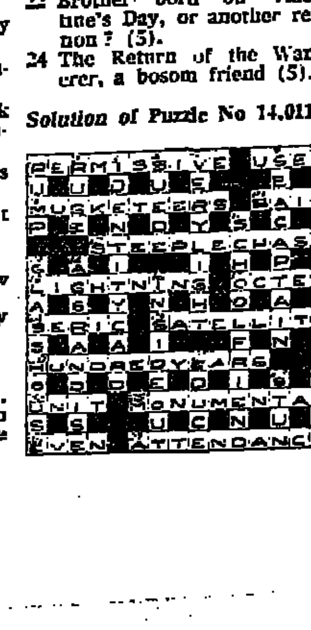
ACROSS

1 Outspoken in support of the detailed claim (10).
6 Old ship in poem about a quinquireme of Nineveh (4).
10 Destruction caused by storms round Virginia (7).
11 J. L. McAdam—or Chesterton's rolling English drunkard ? (4-3).
12 Salary a record for a literary devil (9).
13 One such as little Bo-Peep who comes off worst (5).
14 Rome's natural historian perished with Pompeii (5).
15 Send message "Gelert in a bad way—Herbert" (9).
17 Swindle, with wrong boy getting twisted (9).
20 Vagrant Marxist leader ensnared (5).
21 *Mushroom*-producer Jack goes to doctor about nothing (1-4).
23 What a plight such couples are in ! (9).
25 Boy, so right-hearted, but gets no place (4-3).
26 Martial lines (7).
27 Part of England Scott knew (4).
28 It goes the wrong way through the wood (5-5).

DOWN

1 Gets on with passengers (5).
2 Come-back for clergyman who gets no rise otherwise (9).
3 It includes a standing delivery order (7, 7).
4 Coffee of the month ? (7).
5 Where atomic research revolutionized war in the underworld ? (7).
7 J. C. Harris's uncle (5).
8 Ten points of the law won ? Perish confusion ! (9).
9 Arrangement for us to see High Noon at one ? (8, 6).
14 Job for football selectors ? So one's taken for a ride (9).
16 The Monkeypuzzle Song—including Gold Car (9).
18 Artist in interchange with athletic coach (7).
19 Foolish pudding-heads ! (7).
22 Brother born on Valentine's Day, or another relation ? (5).
24 The Return of the Wanderer, a bosom friend (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 14,011



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[illegible]	[illegible]	Commerzbank	£17⅞	-¼	20.1	1.5	35.4
20	12¾	Cp Fn Paris	£14¼	[illegible]	105	4.8	15.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	EBES	£47	-1	199	4.2	..
43¼	22¾	Ericsson	£19⅞	-1¼	63.6	1.5	30.9
44	27	Finsider	44	..	..	..	..
23	13	Granges	410	-5	116	4.0	6.4
485	300	Hoechst	410	-5	16.5	2.6	24.8
[illegible]	43	Montecatini E	85	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	11¾	NEPO NV	£22⅝	[illegible]	86.2	3.2	25.9
592	312	Robeco (Br)	567	-5	22.1	3.9	12.2
417	292	Rolinco Subs	412	-3	3.2	0.8	71.3
240	130	Snia Viscosa	205	..	..	..	..
300	210	Thyssen-Huette	306	+1	24.8	4.9	5.6
38¼	15½	Volkswagen	£25	..	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

1974/75 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
10¾	6½	Brascan	£8½	-¹⁄₁₆	41.9	4.4	5.2
971½	550	BP Canada	913	-15	..	..	..
12⅞	[illegible]	Can Pac Ord	£11⅞	-⅛	37.2	3.2	11.1
10	5⅞	El Paso	£8⅝	-⅛	42.7	4.4	17.6
71½	39¾	Exxon Corp	£68¾	-⅛	..	..	..
26⅜	10⅜	Fluor	£22⅞	-⅛	16.5	0.6	29.8
26	14¾	Hollinger	£22	..	..	..	..
27⅞	11⅝	Hud Bay Oil	£19⅞	-⅛	39.9	1.3	42.9
15	9	Husky Oil	£11⅞	-⅛	..	..	..
910	425	Int Bldgs	990	-20	21.2	2.4	..
21⅞	12⅝	Int Nickel	£22	-⅛	88.1	3.7	13.0
11⅞	5⅝	IU Int	£8⅛	-¼	35.7	4.1	7.4
25⅞	8⅝	Kaiser Alum	£14	-⅜	50.7	3.1	..
13	7⅝	Massey-Ferg	173	-⅛	41.5	3.2	8.3
19⅞	8⅞	Pacific Petrol	£16⅞	-⅛	..	..	..
10⅝	4⅞	Pan Canadian	£9⅞	-⅛	..	..	..
[illegible]	51	Steep Rock	105	..	..	..	..
860	475	Trans Can-P	770	-30	..	..	..
51	19¾	US Steel	£43⅞	-¼	13.3	3.3	91.8
535	330	White Pass	460	-⅛	24.8	1.0	14.1
29½	10	Zapata Corp	£21⅝	..	..	..	..

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THE TIMES SHARE INDICES

The Times Share Indices for 04.06.75 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1950):—

	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	148.83	6.22	12.28	146.17
Largest Coys.	147.71	6.05	12.26	144.80
Smaller Coys.	152.84	7.19	14.12	150.61
Capital Goods	147.96	6.58	14.26	144.94
Consumer Goods	167.06	6.14	11.85	163.37
Store Shares	141.90	6.68	6.63	140.01
Largest financial shares	196.78	4.89	—	194.11
Largest financial and industrial shares	157.06	5.83	—	154.24
Commodity shares	241.99	3.82	13.03	240.35
Gold Mining shares	680.01	4.79	7.25	682.86
Industrial debenture stocks	74.51	8.51*	—	74.44
Industrial preference stocks	45.73	16.15*	—	45.59
3½% War Loan	24⅛	14.50*	—	24⅛

A record of The Times Industrial share indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	198.47 (15.08.72)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1975	148.93 (04.06.75)	61.42 (06.01.75)
1974	136.18 (28.02.74)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1973	189.33 (12.01.73)	120.99 (14.12.73)
1972	198.47 (15.08.72)	154.45 (10.01.72)
1971	174.77 (31.12.71)	102.22 (02.03.71)
1970	145.78 (14.01.70)	110.75 (26.05.70)

* Flat interest yield.

Licensing review is expected after jury finds Swedish film grossly indecent

By Clive Borrell

A review of the system of licensing films is expected to be undertaken by various organizations after a decision by a jury including three women, at the Central Criminal Court yesterday, that a Swedish film, *More about the languas of love*, is grossly indecent.

The film, which shows acts of sexual intercourse and oral sex, was allowed to be shown in London by the Greater London Council, which granted it an X certificate.

At least thirty other similar films, at present showing in London and the provinces, are being studied with a view to further prosecutions.

Jacey (London) Ltd, of Birmingham, and Fancey Associates Ltd, of Soho, London, were each fined £500, and Lionel Parsons, of Edmonton, London, a cinema manager, was fined £50. Both the companies and Mr Parsons had denied unlawfully and scandalously showing the paying public a film that depicted grossly indecent performances.

Judge Gwyn Morris, QC, said: "I entirely agree with your verdict. The leniency of the penalties is because of the mitigating circumstances, the grant of an X certificate by the GLC." Earlier, he said the film, in colour, left nothing to the imagination.

Mr Michael Worsley, counsel for the defence, described the case as a "test" one, which might now lead to a review of the licensing system.

The film was seized by the police last summer after a complaint to Sir Robert Mark, the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, from Mr Raymond Blackburn, a former member of Parliament.

After the case Mr Blackburn said that the jury's verdict was a victory for the rule of law. He added:

As counsel for the defence submitted, the GLC could have been prosecuted for aiding and abetting the offences. I did not ask that this should happen this time but I certainly will next time, if there is a next time. I am consulting Lord Longford and others next week as to what steps may now be taken to secure enforcement of the rules of law about other films.

Mr Steve Stevens, organizer of the Festival of Light, said: "about thirty films throughout the country, and not all of them in the West End of London, are in a similar category."

Mrs Mary Whitehouse, an ardent campaigner against pornography, said: "This should spell the end for those who commercialize pornography. This film was described as a sex education film. Although I did not see it I am delighted at the jury's verdict."

Mr Philip Bassett, chairman of the GLC's film viewing subcommittee, which gave the film a licence, said:

If you ask me whether I would let a daughter of mine, even if she were 18, to see the film, I would say 'No'. But I would say that about a lot of the trash and rubbish that comes to us for viewing. When we see these films we are not asked to decide the merits or otherwise of the production. All we have to do is to decide whether a film is likely to incite people to commit crime or disorder or hatred against any section of the community or whether it might tend to corrupt persons *likely to see it*. When we saw this film we came to the decision that it was not likely to do any of these things.

We thought that this film, for what it was, was better than most of the others we had seen. Remember, we have no technical skills to help us in our assessment. We are just ordinary men and women from both parties.

His committee, of 20 members, is to meet shortly to consider the outcome of the case. He added:

I do not consider this to be a crucial judgment. In fact, it is a very trifling matter and blown up out of all proportion. I do not doubt that any other 12 men and women on the jury might possibly have taken a more liberal view. Sometimes it is difficult to keep your eyes open while watching some of these films: many of them are so boring.

Republican militants threaten the ceasefire

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

There was growing concern in Northern Ireland yesterday that a new threat to the 16-week-old ceasefire between the Army and the Provisional IRA could be posed by a group of breakaway republic militants now believed to be operating in the border area around Newry.

Within the past 72 hours, three Protestants have been assassinated. Another has been shot on a relative's doorstep and a Protestant public house has been bombed without warning. Previously the district has not been noted for its sectarian attacks against Protestants, who are a small minority.

Although no group has yet claimed responsibility for the attacks, it was disclosed yesterday that the man shot dead by troops after bombing the public house on Wednesday was on the Army's wanted list. He was Francis Jordan, a Roman Catholic aged 21, who had been on the run for some time *from his home* in the border village of Jonesborough.

On both sides of the border the Army and police hunt was continuing yesterday for the men behind the murder of the three Protestants and also two of the bombers who escaped after a gun battle with troops in Bessbrook.

The security forces are seriously hampered by the terrain in south Armagh, a maze of unmarked border roads, bogs, mountains and isolated dwellings. It was described this week by one local politician as the most fertile guerrilla territory in western Europe.

The Newry brigade of the Provisional IRA has already denied responsibility for Tuesday's multiple murder and late last month issued a statement expressing its determination to keep the ceasefire. What is likely is that a small, disaffected group of republicans are acting on their own initiative.

Already the surge of sectarian violence along the *border has provoked angry* reaction from "loyalists" and criticism of the Government for not adopting a tougher line. The mid-Ulster brigade of the Protestant Ulster Volunteer Force said that if extra troops were not sent to the border, loyalist organizations would take action.

Although senior Army officers still maintain confidence in the ceasefire, they have never disguised their fear that it could break.

In another part of Northern Ireland yesterday a second full-scale police hunt was under way after an incident which has no connexion with the present crisis. It was launched after a sexual assault on Gail Lilley, a seven-year-old girl who lived near Newcastle, Co Down.

The girl was abducted at knife point from her remote home in a forestry cottage late on Wednesday night, and after being sexually assaulted and stabbed repeatedly in the back she was left in her night-clothes on a hillside.

The child and her four brothers and sisters were alone in the house when the masked attacker broke in shortly after her father had gone out late on Wednesday night. Her brother, aged 10, attempted to intervene, but was beaten.

A description of the wanted man was issued yesterday after the girl had been taken to hospital for an emergency operation.



General Gowon and Queen Margrethe of Denmark walking in procession after yesterday's degree ceremony.

Gen Gowon replies in kind to jeers

From Our Correspondent
Cambridge

General Gowon, Nigerian head of state, laughed, waved and shouted back to demonstrating students outside the Senate House at Cambridge yesterday, where he received an honorary doctorate of law.

A handful of students shouted: "No degree for the Biafran butcher." However, they did not upset the Nigerian leader, who walked in procession through the city centre after the degree ceremony with Queen Margrethe of Denmark.

The Danish queen stared stonily ahead while General Gowon clapped and waved to the demonstrators. When one student shouted into his face: "Remember Biafra", the general laughed and shouted back: "Of course I remember."

More than a hundred uniformed policemen guarded the procession after the degree ceremony from the Senate House to Sidney Sussex College.

General Gowon, described in the Latin oration as "a soldier of unusual modesty, a man of muscular Christianity", received an honorary doctorate in law, as did the Queen of Denmark and Mr Selwyn Lloyd, Speaker of the House of Commons.

Other recipients of honorary degrees were: George Kenneth McKee, surgeon (Doctor of Science); Jean Terrien, director of the Bureau International des Poids et Mesures, Sèvres (Doctor of Science); Kathleen Coburn, professor of English, Victoria College, Toronto (Doctor of Letters); Neil Ripley Ker, emeritus reader in palaeography at Oxford (Doctor of Letters); Comer Vann Woodward, Sterling Professor of History, Yale University (Doctor of Letters), and Mstislav Rostropovich, the cellist (Doctor of Music).

Three mo... prisoners get isolati... regime

By Marcel Berlins
Legal Correspondent

Three prisoners were ... in the controversial ... units at Wakefield priso... week, despite the strong... cism the use of this meth... punishment provoked wh... was first used for three ... prisoners last year.

The names of the pris... are not known, but they ... all admitted to the unit on ... 22 from prisons in other ... of the country.

The units, opened in A... last year, are designed to ... with particularly difficult ... disruptive prisoners. The ... regime involves an initial p... of 90 days' solitary confine... followed by a further 90 ... of limited association with ... prisoners.

One of the main criticis... the system is that any pri... who misbehaves during his ... period of isolation can be ... to start his 90 days a...

Prisoners have no righ... appeal against a decision to ... them to a control unit, a... has been argued that the r... of isolation might resu... grave physical and psych... cal harm.

After criticism of the ... use of the unit from ... members of Parliament, ... reform bodies, civil l... groups, and a number of c... ologists and sociologists ... Jenkins, Home Secretary ... nounced that he was inv... ing an "independent elem... into any decision to send p... ers to the units.

In February this year ... Jenkins announced that pl... open a second control u... Wormwood Scrubs had ... abandoned.

Secret envoy removes archbishop's relics

Some of the relics of Blessed Oliver Plunket, the Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, who was hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn in 1681, have been removed secretly from Downside Abbey, near Bath, and taken to Ireland.

The relics were removed at the request of the present Primate of All Irtland, Cardinal Conway, and returned to the Irish church in time for Blessed Oliver's canonization as a martyr, which is due to take place in Rome in October.

The cardinal sent Mgr Francis Lenny, his auxiliary bishop, to collect the relics: the martyr's left collarbone, shoulder and thigh, and some blood and dust from the reliquary. The head has been at Drogheda, co Louth, since 1722.

Mgr Lenny and the cardinal asked that the relics should be removed secretly because there are differences of opinion about where the relics ought to rest.

The division of the body was *supervised* by Mgr Merrein Alexander, Roman Catholic Bishop of Clifton, whose diocese contains Downside. He sealed the casket that was returned to the shrine with the remainder of the relics and Mgr Lenny's case of bones.

Oliver Plunket was born in co Meath in 1629. He taught in Rome for some years and was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669. He continued his ministry in secret during the persecutions that began in 1673, but was arrested in 1679 in the "popish plot" excitement provoked by Titus Oates's allegations. Oates was exposed as a fraud the day after the archbishop was killed.

University salaries

Full details of the arbitration award to university teachers are published today in *The Times Higher Education Supplement*. There is a review by Professor L. C. Knights of a new book on Shakespeare's last plays, and a report on North Sea oil and the Social Science Research Council.

Protests halt plan to sterilize girl aged 11

By John Roper
Medical Reporter

A proposed operation to sterilize a girl aged 11 has been postponed because of publicity and protests. Dr Ronald Gordon, the paediatrician in charge, said last night that the contemplated operation was not irreversible.

Dr Gordon was addressing a press conference after protests by teachers and social workers caring for the girl in Sheffield that they could see no justification for the medical decision to sterilize her.

The girl, described by some as slightly mentally retarded, has been diagnosed as suffering from an extremely rare disease which causes large brains, bodies and bones, and large hands and feet.

Dr Gordon, who said the child was recorded as being educationally subnormal at 15 months, *said*: "We are *planning* to go ahead with the operation, but not in the full view of all this."

The National Council for Civil Liberties last night applied to the High Court seeking an instruction to the Official Solicitor to make the girl a ward of court, thus preventing any immediate operation.

Consent for the operation, which was to have taken place on Monday, had been given by the girl's mother. Teachers and others caring for her immediately protested.

Dr Gordon said that in the view of the mother, himself, the child psychiatrist and the gynaecologist, the girl was not a normal child, never had been and never could be.

"This child has a very high chance indeed of producing another abnormal child", he said.

Asked why it was medically necessary at the age of 11 to carry out the operation, he replied: "Her physical age is 14, and most illegitimate pregnancies occur in children aged 13, 14 and 15. She could not be relied on to use the pill." However, there was no suggestion that she would have sexual tendencies.

The law permitted abortion on genetic grounds and doctors *were asked to do that where a* person, because of abnormality, could not look after a baby. It seemed sensible to try to locate such children before they reached that stage to make sure that pregnancy did not occur.

Dr Owen, Minister of State for Health, said he believed the issues should be discussed by all concerned. It would be wise for more than one consultant to be seen before a decision was made.

University to unwrap 2,000-year old mummy

From John Chartres
Manchester

Members of a team from Manchester University Egyptology department are to unwrap the 2,000-year-old mummy of a girl next week.

University officials believe that it will be the first occasion that a mummy has been unwrapped in Britain this century and the first in which such modern aids as X-ray machines and electron microscopes have been available to assist in the work.

The unwrapping will be carried out in a room of the university medical school. Radiologists, pathologists, dentists, pharmacists and medical illustrators will be present, as well as the Egyptologists.

Skin tissue, bones, teeth, disease traces and parasites will be examined, as well as the bandage wrappings.

Dr Rosalie David, the university's Egyptologist, said yesterday that the work would probably take about a month. The mummy, she said, came to the Manchester Museum in the 1960s from the Robinow collection.

Government faces a defeat on Land Bill

By John Young
Planning Reporter

The Government faces the possibility of its first defeat on the Community Land Bill next week. Mr Stephen Ross, MP for the Isle of Wight and the only Liberal on the Commons committee considering the Bill, is to move an amendment seeking exemption for charities and religious bodies.

Under clause three of the Bill, the Secretary of State for the Environment is empowered to exempt certain types of development from the requirement that land should be bought by the local authority at existing use value. At present the Bill specifically excludes only a landowner building a house for his own use.

Concern has been expressed, however, at the likely effect of the Bill on churches and charities. The former are heavily dependent on landholdings, and both frequently need to *dispose of outdated and redundant* properties to finance new ventures.

Although the Government has a majority of one on the committee, it is thought that some Labour MPs may join the Conservatives and the Scottish nationalist in supporting Mr Ross's amendment.

Mr Ross said yesterday that he was convinced the Government would have to do something about church properties, especially existing buildings. As the Bill stood, if it was decided to close a redundant church in the centre of a city the existing use value of the site might be assessed at no more than £5,000, whereas the cost of building a new church in an expanding town or suburb would be at least £50,000 to £60,000.

The Voluntary Movement Group, putting the charities' case, *points out that they need* to be able to dispose of existing sites that are wrongly placed geographically, or to provide accommodation in areas where building and site costs may be lower.

The group cites the examples of an old people's home near Hindhead, Surrey, owned by the Jewish Welfare Board, *and a children's home in Kent*, run by the John Grooms Association for the Disabled. In both cases the charities are anxious to sell and open new ventures in more suitable and convenient locations.

Both properties, it is said, would have a relatively high market value as country clubs or "health farms." But if their owners were compelled to accept the existing use value, their proposed new enterprises would be seriously jeopardized.

Engineers urge long-term planning board

By Our Planning Reporter

A national long-term planning board is advocated in a memorandum published by the Institution of Civil Engineers. Its function would be to forecast and plan ways of meeting Britain's future needs such as energy, water, transport and communications.

The institution points out that it does not advocate detailed long-term planning of all branches of the economy.

To coordinate information for a resources plan, it also proposes an economic advisory agency, possibly within the Treasury.

Clearly concerned about the uncertainty created by frequent political changes, the institution observes that no large project is conceived, approved and completed within one Administration's period of office.

Nurses will prescribe pill at London clinic

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

The Department of Health and Social Security is to finance an experimental family planning clinic where nurses will be able to prescribe the pill and fit intra-uterine devices. The experiment will be based at King's College Hospital, London, and will last two years.

The clinic will be run by specially trained nurses, but a doctor will have overall responsibility and countersign prescriptions. The aim will be to assess the feasibility of using nurses to give family planning advice and to prescribe and fit all forms of contraceptives.

Although technically in law only doctors can prescribe the pill, nurses at clinics run by the Family Planning Association have been doing so for some time. When that practice was made public earlier this the department effe... turned a blind eye.

The department has a ... set up a joint working ... on the distribution and ... vision of the pill, in re... to pressure from doctors ... family planning field. D... point out that they cann... tect with certainty ... women might be at risk ... taking the pill, and ... specially trained nurses ... scribe it would save ... time.

The department emph... yesterday that the new ... would not "in any way ... pate" the results of the ... ing group. It would ... research project only, a... results would need to be ... fully assessed with the ... sional and advisory ... concerned.

50-mile herrin... limit sought

Fishing limits of 50 mil... the British coasts were n... to avert the extinction o... ring stocks in the North ... Dr John Lyon Dean, cha... of the Herring Industry ... said yesterday.

He said after publicati... the annual report of the ... in Edinburgh that B... should take the lead in f... a new international co... ation regime for herring ... there is going to be a fr... all with everyone fishi... out, then I think the Nort... stock of herring may disa... completely."

Authors may get Soviet copyright fees soon

By a Staff Reporter

Authors and performers might soon receive copyright fees from the Soviet Union in convertible currency for the first time as the result of a visit to Britain this week by members of the Soviet Copyright Agency.

The Soviet delegation met publishers and representatives of the copyright protection societies to complete agreements set in train after the Soviet Union undertook to adhere to the Universal Copyright Convention in 1973.

The Performing Right Society, which last year signed an agreement on musical performing rights, said British composers might be paid fees on works performed in the Soviet Union by the end of the year.

Mr Martin Ballard, deputy secretary of the Publishers Association, said that as the question of royalties was settled, normal trading relations with the Soviet Union in books could begin.

There were already signs of an increase in the sale of books and book rights to the Soviet Union, especially in science and technology.

The Soviet delegation is to have discussions with the Society of Authors, the emphasis being on the payment of royalties in a convertible currency. Until recently authors published in the Soviet Union or East Europe have been able to collect their royalties only locally.

Before the delegation leaves it is expected to endorse a further agreement on recording rights.

AUEW to fight attempt to keep postal vote

Lawyers representing the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers will today oppose High Court application for injunctions which could prevent the union holding its annual conference in 10 days and then ending the postal ballot method of electing full-time officials.

The union yesterday instructed its solicitors to prepare for an appearance at today's preliminary proceedings, when an interim application will be made.

Banks' offer rejected

The National Union of Bank Employees, including messengers, engineers and maintenance men, yesterday, rejected an offer by the clearing banks of a 22.5 per cent pay increase.

Normandy farmers seek Sussex beef cattle

Farmers from Normandy were at the South of England show, which opened at Ardingly, Sussex, yesterday, to spend thousands of pounds on buying animals from leading Sussex cattle herds. The farmers are particularly interested in the Sussex beef breed and feel that they should settle down well in northern France.

The delegation, led by M Jacques Blanchard, secretary of the newly formed association of Sussex cattle of France, have authority from the French Government to buy up to 120 head during the next two years.

Champions include:

CATTLE BEEF

Devon: H. H. Moore, Buckingham (bull, Bourton Perfection; Sussex: Lord and Lady Fletcher, Canterbury (bull, Dunsborne Prebble); Hereford: Merton-Ford Estates, Holyport, Berkshire (bull, Lemington Kildare); any other breed: T. Wills for West Riddens Farm, Hampshire (heifer, Blonde d'Aquitaine and cow, Fedricombe Aberdeen Angus: G. S. Neal, East Grinstead (bull, Lasster of Westmuir); British Simmental, Cornish International, Tichinghani (cow, Hazel).

CATTLE, DAIRY

Ayrshire: Sir ... Farm, Chudleigh's Lewes (cow, Stream Farm Jemima); British Friesian: Burtonwood Farms, Ifield, Chichester (bull, Layenham Guardian); Jersey: Wych Cross Estates, Forest Heath (cow, Wych Cross Jester's Dream II); Guernsey: Wherwell Farms, Andover (cow, Wherwell Narcissus II); any other breed: Sir Walter and Lady Burrell, Knepp Castle, Horsham (red poll cow, Knepp Minerva 147).

SHEEP

Southdown: D. R. and J. Randall, Dorchester (shearling ram); Clun Forest: T. C. Palmer and Mrs D. C. Ritchie (aged ram); Romney: G. Leadbetter, Ashford, Kent (horn shearling ram); Suffolk: Major J. E. B. Pope, Tetbury, Gloucestershire (shearling ewe); Jacob: Sir Walter and Lady Burrell, Horsham (shearling ewe); Any Other Breed: R. W. Cripps, Billingshurst.

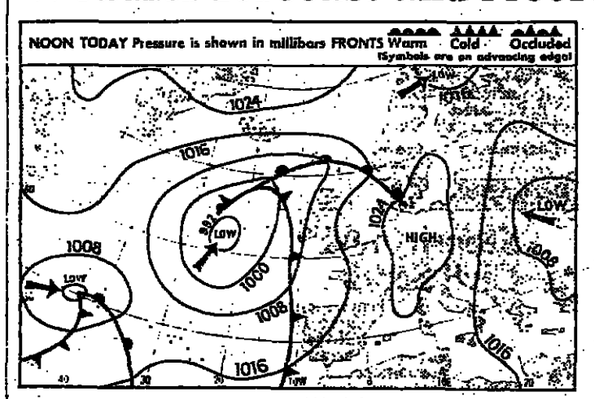
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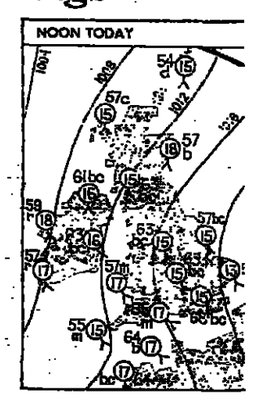
Bacon carcass: R. R. Woodward, Dunstall, Gotalming.

Rock fall death

Sergeant William Galston, aged 43, of the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve, died yesterday when he slipped on loose rocks on Crib Goch, Snowdon.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 4.46 am. Sun sets: 9.13 pm
Moon rises: 2.41 am. Moon sets: 5.47 pm
New Moon: June 9.
Lighting up: 9.43 pm to 4.16 am
High water: London Bridge, 12.15 pm, 6.2m (20.3ft). Avonmouth, 5.13 am, 10.8m (35.3ft); 5.39 pm, 11.1m (36.5ft). Dover, 9.36 am, 5.5m (18.2ft); 9.54 pm, 5.7m (18.6ft). Hull, 4.23 am, 6.1m (19.9ft); 4.33 pm, 6.3m (20.5ft). Liverpool, 9.32 am, 7.9m (25.8ft); 10.7 pm, 8.0m (26.3ft).

An S airstream will cover most of Britain.

Forecast for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, central S, central N, E, SE, NE England, Midlands: Dry, sunny spells developing; wind S, moderate; max temp 21°C (70°F).

Channel Islands: Dry, rather cloudy; wind S, moderate; max temp 19°C (66°F).

SW, NW England, Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland: Cloudy, hill or coast fog, bright or sunny in parts sheltered from S; wind S, moderate; max temp 17°C (63°F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Moray Firth: Dry, sunny spells developing; wind S, moderate; max temp 20°C (68°F).

Central Highlands, Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Rather cloudy but mainly dry; wind S, moderate; max temp 16°C (61°F).

Outlook for the weekend: Warm or very warm and dry generally at first, but outbreaks of rain, perhaps heavy, in W tomorrow and becoming more general on Sunday.

Sea passages:

S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind S, fresh; sea moderate.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind S, fresh, increasing strong; sea moderate.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 17°C (63°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 9°C (48°F). Rain 7 pm, 75 per cent. Rain, 24 7 pm, trace. Sun, 24hr to 1hr. Bar, mean sea level, 1022.8 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars =29.53in.

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm, June 5

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max °C	Max °F	
E COAST					
Scarboro	1.3	.04	17	63	Rai
Cromer	1.1	—	15	59	Clo
Clacton	1.4	—	17	63	Clo
Margate	3.6	—	18	64	Clo
S COAST					
Hastings	4.0	—	16	61	Sur
Eastbourne	2.9	—	16	61	Clo
Brighton	1.6	—	14	57	Ove
Worthing	1.6	—	16	59	Clo
Bognor	3.0	—	13	55	Clo
Southsea	1.4	—	15	59	Clo
Sandown	2.0	—	16	61	Fog
Bournemouth	1.7	—	13	55	Clo
Falmouth	5.3	.01	17	63	Sun
Torquay	5.2	.01	18	64	Fog
Falmouth	5.0	—	17	63	Sun
W COAST					
Morecambe	0.5	.07	15	59	Rain
Blackpool	0.1	.16	15	61	Rain
Ilfracombe	7.8	—	20	68	Clo

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, Bfr ... Denmark, Dkr 5.50; Finland Fmk ... France, Frs 2.80; Germany, DM ... Greece, Dr 30; Holland, Dfl ... Italy, Lire 400; Luxembourg, L... Maderia, Esc 15; Malta, 7c; Mo... Kr 4.00; Portugal, Esc 17.50; S... Pes, $5; Sweden, Skr 3.50; Switzer... Skr. 3.50; USA/Canada, $1.00; ... slavia, Din 20.

Post office clerks jailed for stamp racket

Nine Post Office counter clerks, including five union branch officials, all working in the Paddington district of London, were given *jail sentences* ranging from nine months to three years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday for their part in a stolen national insurance stamps selling ring.

Vast quantities of national insurance stamps snatched in a series of post office raids were *sold across* the counter, the proceeds passing back to the thieves, the prosecution alleged. The racket was smashed when the Post Office brought in a special squad of investigators to check up to 500,000 insurance cards to trace the sales of stolen stamps. Judge King-Hamilton, QC, described the *losses as staggering*.

Gallantry medal for PC who pursued gunmen

By a Staff Reporter

A Hampshire police constable who was seriously wounded while trying to arrest two gunmen, and the deckhand of a dredger who defied a strong tide in the Wash to rescue the observer of a crashed naval aircraft have each been awarded the Queen's Gallantry Medal, it is announced today.

The London Gazette lists 11 awards of the Queen's Gallantry Medal, eight in Northern Ireland, and 35 people who have received the Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct.

Police Constable Malcolm Craig, of Hampshire Constabulary, receives the award for his part in the hunt for two gunmen who had fired at other police officers. He drove his panda car on to a pavement in an attempt to stop the men.

In spite of shots fired at his car, PC Craig gave chase on foot, and as he gained on the men one turned and shot him in the lower abdomen before they escaped. The citation states that PC Craig displayed courage of a very high order and great devotion to duty.

Mr Michael Green, a deckhand on the Jean Ingelow, a dredger of the Port of Boston Authority, Lincolnshire, is cited for displaying "great bravery, determination and endurance" which saved the life of a seriously injured naval observer last November.

Mr Green swam a hundred yards in the Wash without a lifejacket against a strong ebb *tide to help the observer*, who was entangled in his parachute.

Four prison officers and four policemen receive the medal for acts of gallantry in Northern Ireland, details of which are not published for security reasons.

The men are: Senior Officer Fraser Bennett, Chief Officer Class 1 Leslie Jackson and Senior Officer William Wright, all of Magilligan Prison, and Principal Officer William Orr, of the Maze prison, and Constables Thomas Johns, Neville McCoubrey, Ronald Morwood and William Rainey, all of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Prison Officer Arthur Kelly, of New South Wales, Australia, receives the award for helping to prevent the escape of four long-term prisoners. Other awards:

Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct: Sergeants Herbert Barton and Alan Smith, Hertfordshire Constabulary; Police Constable Nigel Clarke, Northamptonshire Police; Police Constable John Crompton, Cumbria Constabulary; Police Constables George Deemings, Victor Catland and Graham Mann and Sergeant Lindsay Todd, Metropolitan Police; Firemen Bryn Cuffe and Sydney Lane and Leading Fireman John McCabe, London Fire Brigade; Mr Kenneth Porter, boilermaker, London; Mr John Dawson, manager, Williams and Glyn's Bank, Tottenham Court Road, London; Mr Brian Hancock, lorry driver, City of Sheffield council; Mr Philip Healey, taxi driver, London; Mrs Shirley Heard, secretary, St Paul's Cray, Kent; Mr John Holland, skipper, Arthur Lealand, Boston and Spalding Pilotage Association; Thomas James, pharmaceutical chemist, Aberdovey, Gwynedd; Police Constable Barry Jolly and Inspector Arthur Muss, Merseyside Police; Reserve Constable William Kelly, RUC; George Limond, sergeant, Ayrshire Constabulary; Miss Patricia Whittaker, nursing officer, Groby Road Hospital, Leicester; Prison Officer John Arndell, New South Wales; Sergeants Third Class Roger Brown and William Stanford, Constables First Class Brian Friend and Graham Scotcher, Senior Constables Gordon Wellings, Frank Buffoni, Norman Deen and Gerald Hogan and Constable Brian Kempster, all of New South Wales Police Force; Mr Barry Dixon, senior clerk, Wagga Wagga, and Richard Farrawell, barman, Armidale, both of New South Wales.

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In the Matter of LEA VALLEY FARMERS Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act 1948.

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Dated this 28th day of May, 1975.

GEORGE F. COCKERELL, Liquidator.

This notice is purely formal. All known creditors have been, or will be, paid in full.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of DEALPEAT INVESTMENTS Limited. Nature of Business: Property Investors.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th May 1975.
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CREDITORS: 18 June 1975, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of TELSTAR SECURITIES Limited. Nature of Business: Property dealers and hoteliers.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th May 1975.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of FREDERICK BUTLER (FOOTWEAR) Limited. Nature of Business: Dealers in footwear.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of FADEZOOM Limited. Nature of Business: Travelling trunk manufacturer.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 12th May, 1975.
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In the Matter of CLARKSONS HOLIDAY HOLDINGS Limited By Order of the High Court dated 8th January 1975, Mr. C. G. T. E. PARSONS and Mr. C. G. SNEATH have been APPOINTED JOINT LIQUIDATORS of the above-named company with a Committee of Inspection.
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EEC REFERENDUM



Mr and Mrs Wilson after voting at Great Smith Street public library, Westminster, yesterday.

Only the tidying-up is left for the dispersing groups of crusaders

By Philip Howard

The crusading referendum organizations that have been campaigning for and against Britain's continued membership *of the EEC wound wearily safe* to poll yesterday, after a campaign that seems to have been going on for months, and has in fact been going at full blast for six weeks.

A final flurry of propaganda left the approaches to Underground *stations strewn* ankle-deep with discarded leaflets. At Bethnal Green some wag blanketed the area with pamphlets asserting that Mr Ian Mikardo, the Labour member of Parliament for Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, *favoured* a "Yes" vote. Both sides repeated unverifiable stories that the opposition had vast stocks of undistributed literature, and that lorries were arriving secretly by night to remove it for scrap.

The Britain in Europe campaign is having what it describes defensively as a modest buffet lunch for three hundred at the Waldorf Hotel today, after which workers and campaigners *will watch the results together* until about 9 pm. The organization will then be run down, and most of its staff will be dispersed by the end of next week. *A certain amount of tidying-up* will remain.

There is a statutory responsibility for both umbrella organizations to prepare their accounts for inspection within two months of referendum day. Documents have to be prepared *for the archives. Administrative work will continue for some* time, and the executive committee will probably not formally dissolve itself until the end of the year.

Britain in Europe said yesterday: "We are happy to have mounted a campaign worthy of *a general election, and to have* got our points across to the country with a panel of eight hundred speakers addressing thousands of meetings. It has not been a campaign of spectacular catch-phrases, but there has been a notable groundswell *of people eager and willing to* work for the European ideal."

The National Referendum Campaign, the body that encompassed the various sects of opponents *to British membership*, has a less elaborate central organization, comprising five headquarters staff and a research department.

It will now be wound down and dissolved, with loose ends to be tied up, such as accountancy and a large load of belated leaflets that were delivered yesterday. Mr John Scholefield Allen, one of its generals and a former private secretary to *the Prime Minister and special* adviser to the Cabinet Office, said: "In spite of our shoestring organization compared with that of our opponents, we have held the initiative for most of the campaign, and they have been well aware of it. Paradoxically we have had the advantage of a small organization, which is more flexible. If you do not do everything for yourself in an organization like this, *nothing gets done.*"

Whether the result is "Yes" or "No", the Get Britain Out grass-roots organization of the antis intends to stay in *business*, although at a reduced level of activity for a period. Mr Christopher Frere-Smith, its chairman, said: "We realize that the *public have had enough of the* Common Market for some time. If the vote is 'No', we shall carry on to see that vote implemented. If the vote is 'Yes', we shall still think that the decision is wrong, brought about because the public have not *recognized the true issues.*

"Sooner or later events are certain to force the issue to reemerge, if we stay in the Common Market. And we shall be waiting for that day to *revive* our organization to full steam ahead."

The Get Britain Out campaign had 11 headquarters staff on its payroll, assisted by 14 volunteers, and about six hundred campaign organizations throughout the country. It calculates that it has spent about £25,000 centrally during the campaign and up to £150,000 overall.

Mr Frere-Smith said, before *stepping at least temporarily out* of the national limelight: "It has been a dirty campaign and has concentrated too much on bread-and-butter politics and statistics. Statistics turn people off. The reason for holding the referendum, the unique issue of *national sovereignty, just* started to emerge in the last week of the campaign, though the Marketeers tried throughout to keep the issue in the background."

WEST EUROPE AND OVERSEAS

New York City reluctantly faces need for state aid to prevent it from going bankrupt

From Peter Strafford
New York, June 5

New York City appeared today to have weathered one more crisis as efforts continued to prevent it from going bankrupt. City officials said they expected to be able to meet a payment of some $130m (about £56m) which falls due tomorrow, so that New York *would still be solvent when the* week ends.

Further payments are due next week, however, including one of $792m on Wednesday. *The city will not be able to meet* that deadline without help from outside, and many city officials and others *are complaining* bitterly about the strings that are being attached.

The solution which is being discussed is the setting up of a *new state agency, to be called* the Municipal Assistance Corporation, or "Big Mac", as it is already being called. The nickname is taken from the advertising slogan of MacDonald's, the huge hamburger chain.

Big Mac will take over the city's debts and, if all goes well, convert them into long-term ones by *raising new money; but* it also will be combined with much closer state supervision of the city's budgetary processes, and it is this that is *being resisted by some members* of the city council.

Mr Abraham Beame, the mayor, and several of his colleagues have accepted Big Mac even though they are not altogether happy about it. State representatives have given dire warnings that it is the only way New York city can avoid defaulting on its debts and going *bankrupt; but not all members* of the city council are impressed and are still holding out, if only for effect.

Suggestions have been made *that defaulting would not be so* bad, at least as an alternative to too close state control. At the mayor's office, however, officials describe themselves as cautiously optimistic that agree*ment can be reached*, and the necessary votes obtained in New York and Albany, the state capital, to have Big Mac set up in time.

Yet all this is not going to prevent a large number of city employees being laid off. Mr Beame has been taking part in public hearings on his crisis budget, and at yesterday's hearing there were some vigorous complaints.

As the hearing opened, there were jeers and shouts from a Spanish-speaking contingent, which sang the Puerto Rican national anthem and shouted: *"The mayor has to go"*. They were followed by a delegation of nurses in uniform who gave warnings of what the proposed cuts would do to hospital care.

Some of those who will be worst affected will be anti-poverty workers in slum areas. There were delegations from these groups, as well as others, who said that instead of layoffs there should be a limit on the wage increases of city employees, or even a wage freeze.

Journalists on Paris newspaper end strike

From Our Correspondent
Paris, June 5

France-Soir, the biggest circulation Paris evening newspaper, *reappeared today after two* days' absence because of a strike by journalists opposed to the appointment from outside of M Jean Gorini, as the new editor-in-chief.

The journalists voted last night, by 130 to 10, with 53 abstentions, to persist in their demand for negotiations with the management "to establish, on a satisfactory basis, the independence of the journalistic staff".

Journalists on *Le Monde* passed a motion assuring the staff of *France-Soir* that they were upholding "in an exemplary manner, those particular responsibilities which must be recognized as belonging to the editorial staff in the orientation and organization of their newspaper".

In return for the journalists getting the newspaper out *again the publishers agreed to* bring in three journalists' delegates as full partners in reorganizing the newspaper to overcome its economic difficulties. They refused the strikers' *initial demand, however, that* the new editor-in-chief should be "held in reserve" temporarily while the changes were agreed.

Suez canal role less vital to the West

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

The Royal Navy is planning *to send its next task force to* the Far East through the Suez Canal when it leaves towards *the end of next month, instead* of the Cape route which it has used since 1967.

This will avoid any possible controversy over the use of the South African naval base at Simonstown and also, which is more important for the Navy, *will save precious fuel, which* is a priority in the services.

But although mine clearance teams from Britain and the United States enabled the Egyptians to reopen the canal, Western navies still have misgivings about its impact upon the balance of power in the Indian Ocean.

The Soviet Union has recently maintained about 15 warships and supply vessels in the Indian Ocean, most of them stationed round the Gulf of Aden and the Horn of Africa, where Russia has expanding base facilities in Somalia.

Soviet interest in the area has grown since the closure of the canal in 1967, so its ships have had to be drawn from the Vladivostok headquarters of its Pacific Fleet 9,000 miles away. The only alternative has been a 11,000-mile voyage round the Cape of Good Hope.

The opening of the canal, however, means that warships can sail from Russia's Black Sea ports to the Gulf and the vital shipping lanes for Middle East oil—a distance of only 2,200 miles.

The reopening will benefit the West too, as the Royal Navy hopes to demonstrate in a few weeks' time. But American admirals particularly have argued that the Soviet Union will reap the most benefit.

The big United States attack carriers, two *of which are kept* in the Mediterranean, will be too large to navigate the relatively narrow, shallow waters of the canal. Any attack carriers will therefore still have to be sent to the Indian Ocean from the Seventh Fleet in the Pacific.

But the Soviet Union's new breed of aircraft carriers, like the 40,000-ton Kiev, which is expected to emerge from the Black Sea *either late this year* or early in 1976, should be able to use it. So should the Royal Navy's new 20,000-ton anti-submarine cruisers like the Invincible.

Britain and the United States were enthusiastic about helping the Egyptians to clear the canal because of the opportunity it gave them to improve their relations with President Sadat, and because of the *stabilizing influence a pros*perous canal trade could have upon affairs in the Middle East.

They have also argued that any doubts about the benefits of easy access to the Indian Ocean apply only to peacetime.



Signor Gancia: Swift rescue.

Police rout Italian kidnap gang

From Peter Nichols
Rome, June 5

A force of Carabinieri today fought a gun battle with the captors of Signor Vittorio Gancia, managing director and part owner of the Gancia vermouth company, who was kidnapped yesterday afternoon outside his castle in Canelli, northern Italy.

The successful operation cost the life of a woman member of the kidnap gang who was in the house in which Signor Gancia, aged 42, was being held near Canelli.

Three men attempted to keep the Carabinieri (military police) *at bay with automatic fire and* with hand grenades and seriously injured two of them, but they were forced to flee.

Signor Luigi Gui, Minister of the Interior, immediately sent a message of congratulation to the head of the Carabinieri. One of the men seriously injured in the battle, a noncommissioned officer, is gravely ill after an operation. An officer lost an arm and suffered injuries to an *eye. It was Italy's twenty-third* kidnapping this year.

The rescue of Signor Gancia shows that the forces of law and order are a power still to be reckoned with in what had almost appeared to be an invulnerable world for kidnappers. It fell on an appropriate day.

It was the 161st anniversary of the founding of the Carabinieri. It also came swiftly after the controversial removal of the national head of the Minister of the Interior's public security *police.*

Civil Guard dies as Basques rai train

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, June 5

Two Basque guerrillas hijacked a train in northe Spain. They machine-gun a member of a Civil Guard death and wounded anoth critically.

According to the first repo the two men boarded the morning train from San Seba tian to Bilbao with machin guns hidden under their ra coats. One of them held the driver and the other is re ported to have crept up on t two members of the Civil Guar on duty on the train and opene fire as close range.

One was killed instantly. Th other returned the fire as h fell wounded, but missed.

The guerrillas then ordere the crew to stop the train ou side the small town of Recald and escaped in a getaway c parked alongside the track.

Later, however, the offici news agency Cifra issued second police communiqué say ing the two Civil Guards becam suspicious because the guerrilla were dressed in raincoats on fine day and demanded proo of their identities. The tw men opened fire, missing bot the policemen.

In the general confusion, ho ever, one was injured slight by flying glass. The other, tr ing to apprehend the guerrilla fell from the train to h death.

Late yesterday Basque sourc insisted that the first report w the correct one.

The dead Civil Guard was t sixth to be killed by the ET the Basque separatist mov ment, in the past two month The two main Basque provinc have been under a state of eme gency since April 25 and poli armed with sweeping powe have made many arrests in all-out attempt to crush t movement.

In Madrid four people, cluding a girl, tried to laun a fire bomb attack on the lea ing Roman Catholic newspap *Ya* late last night during a d of protest called by left-wi organizations in the capital.

A guard employed by t newspaper forestalled the ra opening fire with a pistol a wounding one of the attacke

Burgos, June 5.—*Fi* Basques, who are alleged to members of the ETA, went trial before a military co here today, 18 months after th were arrested.

Maoist plot to infiltrate Portugal's armed forces

From Our Correspondent
Lisbon, June 5

Members of the Maoist Movement for Reorganizing *the Proletariat Party (MRPP)* are trying to infiltrate the armed forces, according to an official statement published here today.

*The Armed Forces Move*ment's internal security force Copcon has issued a communiqué accusing the *MRPP* of provoking and intimidating servicemen. It also accuses them with beating up an officer's daughter, damaging military as *well as civilian vehicles and* the systematic obstruction of military missions.

Ever since April 25 last year the MRPP has continued its counter-revolutionary attitude, the communiqué says. It has persisted in trying to bring *about confrontations between* the armed forces and the people and to break their alliance. It failed because most of its members are upper class students who failed to penetrate the working class, Copcon claims.

Since their inception as a movement against the colonial wars in 1970, the members of the MRPP have changed their tactics and transformed themselves into an organization "whose aims are to subv military units and to atten to divide the armed force the communiqué says.

Their programme, as o lined in a national confere last month, included steal military documents, ma arms and munitions.

After listing other alle tions against the MRPP, communiqué said the Arm Forces Movement would allow "delinquents or r *tionaries acting in the guise* revolutionaries" to abuse h won liberty to obstruct advances the country begun on April 25.

Copcon swooped on MR branches in many ar recently, making more t 200 arrests. This was after dence of violence against diers. In prison, many of th arrested wrecked furnitu tore up mattresses and car slogans into the walls, pri officials complained.

Early today a charge explosive went off in a dust outside a bank in the heart *Lisbon, the fourth bomb* four days. It was apparen the work of the subver Portuguese Liberation Ar which aims to overthrow present regime.

Party workers find Britain's first referendum very different from a general election campaign

How Harlow faced the issue of Europe

From Roger Berthoud
Harlow, Essex

No town can be called typical but Harlow seemed a better place than most to try to assess the difference between Britain's first referendum and the *normal* general election exercise. With a strong and rather left-wing Labour Party organization, and an unusually high number of skilled workers in light industry, it is probably more evenly divided on the issue *than most towns—certainly* more than most in the South-east, a view confirmed by local evidence. At the last election, Mr Stanley Newens (Labour and Co-op), a member of the Tribune group, polled 25,814 votes, against 13,280 for the *Liberal candidate, and 13,016* for the Conservatives.

In physical terms, the biggest difference has been that yesterday polling was carried out at district rather than constituency level. For Harlow, as the deputy returning officer, Miss Kay Jarvis, explained at the town hall, that meant an electorate of 53,000, whereas the constituency includes a slice of Epping Forest and runs to more than 61,000. So last night's verification of the ballot papers (checking the contents of the ballot boxes against *the returns from the polling* booths) was a lighter exercise than a general election count. Afterwards the ballot papers were sent in their bundles of a hundred, 10,000 to a box, for today's county count in Chelmsford.

The main political difference, as Mr Martin Coleman, secretary of the Harlow Anti-EEC campaign *eloquently testified*, has been that in a general election party affiliations are fairly well established. "This time we have been trying to persuade people on the arguments, developing the theme of what the Common Market means to *working people in terms of* cost-of-living, jobs, control of Britain's affairs, and so on."

Yesterday evening Mr Coleman and his colleagues were knocking on the doors of established EEC opponents, offering lifts if needed. At a general election, all three parties *would normally have had* a "teller" each at every polling booth. This time, the anti-EEC people decided that they had not enough man*power for this task.*

At the headquarters of the Harlow Group for Europe, its moving spirits, Murray and Pat Ramsay, were about to set off in a loudspeaker van. Mr Ramsay is treasurer of the group and he, too, found there were *fewer helpers than for a* general election.

Supporters of Britain in *Europe had the unusual experi*ence of pushing pro-EEC leaflets from each of the political parties through letterboxes. Last night they set a precedent by meeting commuter trains from London, urging those who had not voted *to do so.*

Near the William Martin primary school, two boys had been conducting a straw poll for 20 minutes. The result: 16 yeses, 15 noes. In Harlow, at least, it looked as if it might be a close-run thing.

US vessel in Sadat convoy seen as snub to Russia

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commanders as he stood on the bridge of the destroyer Sixth of October—commemorating the canal crossing in 1973—to take the salute from units of the Second Army along the canal's banks.

Despite Mr Sadat's appeal to *an international audience in re*opening the canal, the actual ceremony was very much an Egyptian affair. The only two foreign dignitaries were Crown Prince Reza Pahlevi of Iran and Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, the Saudi Arabian Defence *Minister. Their presence sym*bolized Egypt's regional alliances and the sources upon which it will depend for much of the capital for its ambitious canal development plans.

The flagship of the American Sixth Fleet, the cruiser *Little Rock, joined the presi*dential convoy just south of Port Said harbour. Although the Egyptians said its inclusion was in "gratitud" for the big American role in clearing the canal, it was definitely a diplomatic slight to the Russians. Among the gatherings of foreign guests and diplomats, the Americans were very much in the limelight, while the Russians stood aloof, looking grave and talking quietly among themselves.

Although the canal was officially declared reopened today, President Sadat made only the five-and-a-half hour journey *south to Ismailia. He will stay* in this "canal capital", which is the nerve centre for the entire reconstruction programme, before flying by helicopter to Suez tomorrow.

After opening Faisal City—the housing project financed by Saudi Arabia—Mr Sadat will then lead the first convoy of ships to sail the canal in a northerly direction.

A Staff Reporter writes: Thousands of letters and parcels which have been on board a German ship blockaded in the canal for the past eight years will arrive in Britain at the weekend.

The 635 bags of parcels and 40 bags of letters, all posted in Pakistan, were on tihbe Nordwind which became stranded in the Great Bitter Lake. The *mail is now on board the San*sin, after being transferred in containers at Hamburg, and will reach Tilbury on Saturday.

A Post Office spokesman said the mail would be taken to the overseas office ready for opening on Monday.

"It will be examined and, presumably, some perishable items will have to be disposed of if they are not in a fit state for delivery. The rest will be delivered as soon as possible", he said.

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Jerusalem denies canal challenge

From Eric Marsden
Jerusalem, June 5

Foreign Ministry sources in Jerusalem today denied that a cargo ship, flying the Liberian flag and carrying 12,000 tons of sugar from South Korea, was being used as a test case in an attempt to get an Israel cargo through the Suez Canal.

The sources said that the ship's bill of lading made it clear that its route was round the Cape of Good Hope, and they added that it would be foolish to make a test case of a ship carrying a cargo worth $5.6m (about £2.4m).

It had earlier been reported that the Liberian ship, which was to have arrived at Eilat on June 17, had been rerouted to sail through the Canal and the Mediterranean to Gaza, arriving on June 10.

The mayor and people of Kiryat Shemona, a development town near the Lebanese border, today demanded greater protection from the Israel Government after several rockets were fired on the town from across the border during the night. The rockets caused several fires *and one hit a children's day* care centre but caused only minor damage. Others landed in courtyards and one man was injured by flying glass.

This morning the mayor telephoned to Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Prime Minister, to say *that the town still lacked* adequate shelters. Mr Rabin later flew to Kiryat Shemona *to inspect the damage, and he* promised that the Government would give priority to providing more shelters.

Dr Frei revives political controversy in Chile

From Florencia Varas
Santiago, June 5

Breaking a silence that had been kept since the military coup in Chile, Dr Eduardo Frei, a former President, has started the first political controversy in the 20 months of the regime's life.

In an interview published a *few days ago in the weekly* magazine *Ercilla* he criticized the Government's economic policy, saying it was "applying a mistaken economic model".

Today the magazine *Que Pasa*, on whose staff members of the Government serve advisers, published an art headed: "The secret hist of Frei's interview".

It accused the Chris Democrats, Dr Frei's party, sending abroad articles aga the Government, and Dr F himself of political opp tunism.

Government supporters ch Dr Frei is seeking to capita on the unpopular sacrifices posed on Chileans by *regime under its programme* "national recuperation".

Good turn-out for referendum reported

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compulsorily detained in mental hospitals.

It was not possible to make an exact calculation of the total effect of those factors, but they helped to make the *number* qualified to vote appear greater than it is, and thus made the turn-out seem less than it was.

The best estimate the unit could offer was that *the total* on the electoral rolls should be reduced by 2 per cent before making a comparison with the number who voted. "Percentages for turn-out provided by *the unit at Earls Court* will be calculated on this basis", the unit stated.

*The unit will issue informa*tion from about 10 am today on the number of people who voted and the turn-out percentage; those figures will be available *before* the figures giving the "Yes" and "No" votes and the number of rejected papers.

The first group of results, which should indicate the general trend, is expected between *noon and 2 pm. They will come* from the Isles of Scilly, Cambridgeshire, the Isle of Wight, *Oxfordshire, Salop, Warwick*shire, Dyfed, South Glamorgan, Gwynedd, Powys, Central Scotland, Dumfries and Galloway, Tayside, Lothian, Lincolnshire, and Merseyside.

After those there will be a steady flow of results from most *other areas. The result for the* Greater London area will come at about 5 pm and for Greater Manchester between 4 pm and 6 pm.

The West Midlands result is expected between 3 pm and 5 pm and the Northern Ireland *declaration between 8 pm and* 10 pm.

The last result from the Western Isles is expected between 9 pm and 10 pm. The Orkney *and Shetland results will come* earlier, between 6 pm and 9 pm.

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Pensioners' move

Resolutions calling for a reduction of a half in pensioners' television licences, and cheaper telephones were carried yesterday at the annual conference of the National Federation of Old Age Pensions Associations.

Sweden and Poland sign long-term trade pact

From Our Correspondent
Stockholm, June 5

Sweden *signed* a 10-year economic agreement with Poland at the conclusion of an *official* visit by Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish Communist Party leader. It was the first time that neutral Sweden has signed any long-term collective agreement of this nature with another country, Swedish officials said.

The accord, among other things, calls for facilitation of joint production and distribution agreements between a Swedish company and Polish *state enterprises, as well as* establishment of branch offices and representation. It also embraces rapid development of various economic and cultural *links, and setting-up a joint* commission to encourage close scientific and technical cooperation.

Mr Gierek, at a press conference, described the agreement as historic. This view was echoed by his host, Mr Olof Palme, the Swedish Prime Minister, who added that trade between the two Baltic neighbours had increased dramatically over *the past five years.*

Both leaders said that their countries were moving closer together in several areas, in spite of differing economic and social systems. Poland is Sweden's biggest eastern trading partner. It was estimated that Sweden *this year will* export goods and services worth nearly 2,000m (£210m) kronor to Poland.

During Mr Gierek's four-day visit, in which he was received by the Swedish monarch, he concluded an agreement to *purchase* iron ore valued at 3,700m kronor over a 10-year period. The agreement was made by LKAB, the Swedish state mining concern, and the *Gränges Company.*

Mr Palme and Mr Gierek failed to agree on a Polish request for at least 600m kronor in credits to increase Polish *coal production by one million* tons a year. This would then be sold to Sweden to fire a steel complex it is constructing in Lapland.

Lawyers still barred from terrorist trial

From Our Own Correspondent
Bonn, June 5

The second day of the case against four West German alleged terrorist ringleaders in Stuttgart today was again taken up with procedural motions by the defence arising out of the unique circumstances surrounding the trial.

The proceedings began with the defence once again *raising* the vexed question of the exclusion of three lawyers, immediately before the opening of the trial, from the defence of Andreas Baader, aged 32. The case was adjourned from May 21 until today to allow another court to rule on this. It duly did so on Tuesday, declaring *that there was no ground* to reopen the question.

At issue, is whether a law enacted rapidly last year with this trial in mind enables a lawyer to be excluded from an entire case or only from the defence of a single accused. Yesterday the Bonn Cabinet, approved a draft amendment Bill which could ensure that such a ban will apply to an entire case.

Once again the five judges *rejected the motion to admit the* three lawyers. The possibility remains that this issue could go all the way to the federal constitutional court. The lawyers *have already appealed to a* higher court.

The next defence move was a motion to abandon the proceedings altogether on the ground of *an infringement of the prisoners'* rights. This argument was based on a defence claim that the presiding judge, Dr Theodor Prinzing, had been appointed to his *post specifically for this case,* which is prohibited in West Germany.

Dr Prinzing had been chos the defence alleged, because had "experience in mamm *trials, perspective, the capac* to prevail and recogniza ambition".

This is another sensitive po which has caused unhappin among legal experts. Th argue that the authorities h loaded the dice *against* accused by passing new la affecting the trial, by barr some defence lawyers at the l minute while the prosecuti has had *three years to prepa* and by picking Stuttgart for t trial so that Dr Prinzing wo preside.

The post held by Dr Prinzi *fell vacant early in 1974. Inste* of promoting someone from t same bench to preside, as mi have been expected, Dr Prinzi was brought in from a low court.

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[AA '] 'insensitive' [to the n]eeds [of i]ts members

[The A]utomobile Association's annual [meeting] last week in London took its [p]lacid course. A few dozen of [the AA']s 5,250,000 members bothered [to turn] up and the proceedings were [complet]ed inside an hour and a half. [The] annual meeting is the only [opport]unity members have of confront[ing the] AA hierarchy. Only two people [spoke.] One was generally complimen[tary; the nex]t thought the maps in the hand[book sh]ould be clearer. The other com[plained] that the accounts were less [ex]plicit and said he had written [… l]etters so far in an unsuccessful [attemp]t to stop an hotel that no longer [has] AA recommendation from dis[playing] the sign.

[The] AA management may well argue [that if] members can find so little to [complain] about the vast majority [must b]e satisfied. Yet there is a per[sistent] undercurrent of criticism, and [it ha]s two main forms. The first is [that th]e AA has become too big and [bureau]cratic and therefore is insensi[tive to] the needs of members. The [second] is that diversification into fields [such a]s publishing, travel and insur[ance h]as deflected it from the basic [task o]f providing an efficient roadside [breakd]own service.

[The] AA is hardly a democratic body. [It is] run by an executive committee [with] a high average age and little [… r]ecent specialized knowledge. [Theor]etically any AA member is [eligib]le to serve; the catch is that [the c]ommittee elects itself and the [chanc]es of an outsider's breaking in [are l]imited are slim. Chatting to one [long-]serving committee member after [last] week's meeting, I asked him how [he ca]me to be elected. He said he had [been] approached out of the blue, given [a goo]d meal and asked if he would [agree t]o stand.

[But] before condemning the system. [it is] fair to consider the alternative. [This,] presumably, would be an open [electi]on at which candidates would [put] themselves to the votes of the [whole] AA membership. How could more [than a] handful be properly acquainted [with t]he qualifications of one candidate [aga]inst another? It might be demo[cratic]; but would it be any more [effect]ive?

[The] AA asserts that it is alive to the [needs] of members, taking complaints [and co]mments seriously, and constantly [adapti]ng itself to changing needs. But [the s]ize of the organization is awe[some.] I remember visiting the new [headq]uarters at Basingstoke just before [the of]ficial opening and wondering how [many] of the 18-storey tower block the [AA w]ould occupy. The answer was [all of] it.

[It f]ollows that complete attention [cannot] always be given to the demands [of mo]re than five million members. [That i]s why our friend had to write his [let]ters and why you can always [find] someone who has waited three [hours] in the pouring rain for a patrol. [I] personally have had prompt and [efficie]nt service from the AA and [perhap]s it is the satisfied customers [who s]hout least.

[W]hat about such activities as book[publis]hing and holidays? It is widely [felt,] and with good reason, since the [accou]nts are less than detailed about [them, th]at such ventures are expensive [luxur]ies which are being paid for our [su]bscriptions. The AA replies that [its bo]oks, holidays and insurance ser[vices] are in fact profitable and that without them the subscription would be higher. The same cannot be said for *Drive* magazine, although critics of this former giveaway publication now have the choice of paying £1.20 a year or giving it up.

While on books, there have been two recent additions to the series of AA touring guides, covering Wales and Scotland. England appeared last year and Ireland and France are to come. The format is similar in each case: introductory articles on history, architecture, and so on; suggested "day drives" (perhaps the most valuable part); a comprehensive gazetteer; and full Great Britain road atlas. Each volume costs £5.50 by post to AA members (£5.95 in the bookshops).



The five-door Volkswagen Golf 1500—roomy, compact and light on fuel.

Road test: Volkswagen Golf 1500

Although not intended as a straight replacement, the Golf is turning out to be Volkswagen's Beetle-crusher. It became the best-selling car in Germany within a few months of being launched, and on the latest figures is comfortably ahead of its nearest rivals, the Opel Kadett and the Ford Escort, with the Beetle trailing far behind. The Golf is also the most popular VW model in the United States—traditionally the Beetle's main export market, and in Britain.

The success of the car has surprised even Volkswagen, but the reason, surely, is that it is so well suited to present motoring needs. At only 12ft 2in long, it is very easy to park, yet has more passenger room in the back than a bigger car such as its main British rival, the Vauxhall Chevette; it has the useful semi-estate facility of a tailgate and folding rear seat; and unlike the Chevette it comes in four-door as well as two-door versions. But the rear seat does not fold as neatly as on the Chevette, nor is the load space as good; and luggage has to be lifted over a fairly high sill.

The Golf offers the choice of two engines, 1100cc and 1500cc, cross-mounted and driving the front wheels, of which the bigger gives appreciably better performance using only slightly more fuel. The 0 to 60 mph acceleration time is a brisk 12½ seconds, there is ample power for quick overtaking and a maximum speed of just under 100 mph. Engine noise is fairly well suppressed, and with so little wind noise motorway cruising is a pleasure. My overall fuel consumption was 31 to 33 mpg and the car runs on two-star petrol.

The Golf handles well, though with some roll on corners. The steering is admirably light and responsive, and the brakes, on a dual circuit with discs at the front and drums at the back, more than adequate. I liked the gearbox better the more I used it, though it could be crisper. The all-round independent suspension gives a slightly disappointing ride, with some choppiness over rough surfaces and a fair amount of road noise. I felt that the seats could have been softer and better shaped.

The instrument and switchgear layout is exemplary, with heating and ventilation controls particularly neat and easy to operate. The heater is powerful enough, but the fresh-air vents (at each end of the fascia) are inadequate in warm weather. The demisters for the windows are an excellent detail, rarely found on a small car. The accelerator pedal is set high and, as on most recent VW and Audi cars, there is not enough room at the side of the clutch to rest the left foot.

In its better equipped LS version, the 1500 Golf offers a wide range of standard equipment, including cloth reclining seats, clock and cigar lighter, heated rear window, door mirror, and hazard and reversing lights. An excellent car, but at £1,919 no one is going to accuse Volkswagen of "dumping".

Forty years on

The driving test has been in operation for 40 years this week and in recalling that fact the Department of the Environment points out that the pass rate was much higher in the early years than it is today. In 1935-36, for instance, 83 per cent of candidates were successful, by 1947 that had fallen to just over 63 per cent, and during the past 10 years the figure has stayed more or less constant at about 46 per cent.

The test has hardly altered over the 40 years. One of the few changes made was the recent decision to dispense with hand signals. So why is it apparently much harder to pass now than it was in the 1930s? An important reason must be that the business of driving a car has become more complex, not so much in the mechanical sense but in negotiating the hazards of the road and in observing more laws. Traffic has increased sixfold since the driving test started, and today's motorist also has to contend with many more traffic signals, road markings and several different speed limits.

Another factor is that more women are taking the test and women have a 10 per cent higher failure rate than men. There are fewer motor cycle tests than there used to be, and motor cyclists tend to do better in the test than car drivers. According to the Department of the Environment, too many candidates take the test before they are ready for it, a trend that may increase as driving-school fees try to keep up with inflation.

If we stay in the Common Market and the Community has its way, there may eventually be a European driving test, more difficult than our present one, including physical and psychological checks and a written paper on car mechanics. The Government has consistently opposed such a test, arguing that the extra cost would not be justified by the likely saving in casualties. A more practical and short-term objection is that the waiting list for tests is long enough already and to risk a higher failure rate with a stiffer test would only make the situation worse.

Peter Waymark

[B]roadcasting

[Jac]ques Cousteau follows the trail of Grey Owl this week and occupies himself [wit]h the survival of the Canadian beaver (BBC1 8.10). Fresh from putting the [frig]hteners on us about American handguns Man Alive turns to consider the [Pal]estinian Guerrilla (BBC2 9.25) while By Common Consent, alternatively, [is a] National Youth Theatre fantasy of a military take-over (BBC1 9.25). But the [onl]y attack you will get from Dad's Army is a fit of the giggles (BBC1 7.40).—L.B.

[BB]C 1

[…a]m, The 60 70 80 Show. [… Camberwick Green/Trumpton/]Chigley. 1.45-1.53, News. [… 4.00,] Play School. 4.25, Pixie [and] Dixie. 4.35, Jackanory. [… ,] Blue Peter. 5.15, The World of Samuel Tweet. [… ,] Roobarb. [… ,] News. 6.00, Nationwide.* [… ,] Tomorrow's World. [… ,] Top of the Pops. [… ,] Dad's Army. [… ,] The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau. [… ,] News. [… ,] By Common Consent, by Paul Thompson, a National Youth Theatre Company production. [… ,] Referendum Day. [… ,] Weather. [… Blac]k and white.

[Reg]ional variations (BBC 1): [… WALES—1.30-1.45 pm, … -Pant. 2.35-2.55, Gwlad a … 8.00-8.45, Wales Today, … wide. 6.45-7.10, Heddiw. … 10 Biodengerdd. SCOT… —6.00-6.45 pm, Reporting … nd, Nationwide. 11.28, Scot… News Summary. NORTHERN [IRELAND]—6.00-6.45 pm, Scene … d Six. Nationwide. 11.28, [Northern] Ireland News Headlines.]

BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University:* Ministerial Power. 7.05, Accountants and Economists. 7.30-7.55, Perception. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 5.25, Open University:* Partial Differential Equations. 5.50, Haydn. 6.15, Computers. 6.40, Model World. 7.05, Open University.* Brick-worker.
7.30 Newsday.
7.55 Sir Mortimer and Magnus: The Festival Dig.
8.10 Look for Clancy: Part 2.
9.00 All in the Family.
9.25 Man Alive: Terror, Part 1: The Palestinian Guerrilla.
10.15 Gardeners' World.
10.40 News.
11.00 Play: The Museum Attendant.
11.29-11.30, Jill Balcon reads I Thought Once How Theocritus Had Sung, by Elizabeth Browning.

Thames

10.35-11.00 am, The 21st Century. 12.00, Rainbow. 12.15 pm, Paperplay. 12.30, Making Things Fit. 1.00, News. 1.20, Lunchtime Today. 1.30, Keep Britain Slim. 2.00, Good Afternoon. 2.25, Racing from Epsom. 4.25, Film: My Learned Friend; with Will Hay, Claude Hulbert.†
5.50 News. 6.00, Today.
6.35 Crossroads.
7.00 Born Free.
8.00 This Week. The Dog Fighters.
8.30 Film: Lost Flight, with Lloyd Bridges, Anne Frances, Ralph Meeker.
10.00 News.
11.00 A Place in Europe—Scotland: Braemar Castle.
11.30 What the Papers Say.
11.45 Night Gallery.
12.05 a.m. Abbott of Westminster.

ATV

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 4.25, Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea. 5.20, Rock on with 45. 5.50, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Crossroads. 7.00, Barnaby Jones. 8.00, This Week. 8.30, Film: Deliver Us From Evil, with George Kennedy, Bradford Dillman. 10.00, News. 11.00, Gardening. 11.30, Checkmate. 12.00, Ian Knox.

Granada

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 4.25, Tarzan. 5.15, Dodo. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.35, Rock on with 45. 7.05, Combat. 8.00, ATV. 8.30, Film: Goodnight, My Love, with Richard Boone, Barbara Bain. 10.00, News. 11.00, What the Papers Say. 11.20-12.20 am, Homicide.

[HT]V

[…,] Thames. 1.20 pm, West Headlines. 1.25, Wales Headlines. [… ,] Thames. 2.00, Women Only. [… ,] Thames. 4.25, Around the World in 80 Days. 4.50, Rainbow [… 5.20,] Help! 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.01, Report West. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, [… of the] Year. 7.00, Jason [King.] 8.00, ATV. 8.35, Film: Dead Men Tell No Tales, with Christopher [… ,] Judy Carne. 10.00, News. [… ,] Journey to the Unknown. [… ,] Weather. HTV CYMRU/[WALES]: As HTV except: 1.20-1.25, Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. [… ,] Miri Mawr. 4.35, Miri Mwy. [… 6.15,] Y Dydd. HTV WEST: As [HTV] except: 1.20-1.30 pm, West Headlines. 6.15-6.30, Sport West.

[Yo]rkshire

[12.0]0 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 4.25, Tarzan. 5.20, ATV. 6.00, Calendar. [… ,] ATV. 7.00, Six Million Dollar [Man.] 8.00, ATV. 8.30, Film: Mrs [Pollifax—Spy(?)] … with Elizabeth Montgomery, Robert Foxworth. 10.00, [… ,] 11.00-11.55, Barnaby Jones.

[An]glia

[…,] Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Food [… ,] 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Romper [Room.] 4.55, The Amazing Chan. [… ,] ATV. 6.00, About Anglia. [… ,] Arena. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, [… Ser]ies. 7.30, The Protectors. [… ,] ATV. 8.30, Columbo. 10.00, [… ,] 11.30, Christians in […].

[Bo]rder

[12.0]0 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women [Only.] 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Woobinda. 4.50, Junior Library. 5.05, [… ,] 5.20, ATV. 6.00, Border [… 6.35,] ATV. 7.00, Movie On. [… ,] ATV. 8.30, Hawkins. 10.00, [… ,] 11.30, Maude. 12.00, Border Summary.

Southern

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Housepart. 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Around the World in 80 Days. 4.50, The Beachcombers. 5.20, Dodo. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Day by Day. Scene South East. 6.35, Survival. 7.00, ATV. 8.30, The Referendum. 8.35, McCloud. 10.00, News. 11.00, Marcus Welby. 12.00, Southern News. 12.10 am, Weather. Guideline.

Westward

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 4.25, Cowboy in Africa. 5.15, Anna and the King. 5.50, News. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man. 8.00, ATV. 8.30, Film: The Hands of Cormac Joyce. 10.00, News. 11.00, Westward News. 11.00, The Collaborators. 11.55, Faith for Life.

Tyne Tees

12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Where the Jobs Are. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Tarzan. 5.20, ATV. 6.00, Today. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man. 8.00, ATV. 8.30, Film: Mrs Sundance, with Elizabeth Montgomery, Robert Foxworth. 10.00, News. 11.00, Doctor Too. 11.30, News. 11.35, Epilogue.

Scottish

12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Road Report. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Around the World in 80 Days. 4.50, Arthur of the Britons. 5.20, Professor Kitzel. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Troop. 7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man. 8.00, ATV. 11.00, Late Call. 11.05-12.05 am, New Faces.

Ulster

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Ulster News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 4.25, Lost in Space. 5.20, ATV. 6.00, Summer Reports. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, Six Million Dollar Man. 8.00, ATV. 8.35, Film: The Stranger Who Looks Like Me, with Beau Bridges, Meredith Baxter. 10.00-11.30, Thames.

Grampian

12.00 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.25, Tarzan. 5.20, ATV. 6.00, Grampian News. 6.10, What's Your Answer? 6.35, ATV. 7.00, Marcus Welby, MD. 8.00, ATV. 8.30, Film: No Name on the Bullet, with Audie Murphy, Joan Evans. 10.00, ATV. 11.30, Matter of Concern. 12.00, Prayers.

Radio

1
6.00 am, News. Simon Bates.† 7.00, Noel Edmonds. 9.00, Tony Blackburn. 12.00, Paul Burnett. 2.02, David Hamilton.† 5.00, Newsbeat. 5.15, John Peel. 7.02, The 73 Show. 7.32, The Organist.† 8.02, Folk 75.† 8.30, Folkweave. 9.02, Edmundo Ros.† 10.02, Sports Desk. 10.05, Don Durbridge. 12.00, News. 12.05, Don Durbridge.† 12.31 am, News.
† Stereo.

2
6.00 am, Radio 1. 7.02, Terry Wogan.† 8.27, Racing Bulletin. 9.02, Pete Murray.† 10.30, Waggoners' Walk. 11.30, Jean Challis.† 2.02 pm, Radio 1. 5.02, Waggoners' Walk. 5.17, Sam Costa.† 6.45, Sports Desk. 7.02-12.33, Radio 1.

3
7.00 am, News. 7.05, Avison, Mozart. 8.00, News. 8.05, Cimarosa, Elgar, Strauss.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Balakirev and Borodin.† 9.55, Orlando Gibbons concert. 10.35, Reading. 10.40, Concert, part 2.† 11.35, Scottish National Orchestra: Wagner, Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky.† 1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Messiaen: Catalogue d'Oiseaux.† 1.55, Anna Bolena, opera by Donizetti. Act 1.† 3.25, Reading. 3.40, Anna Bolena, Act 2.† 5.25, Great Pianists: Fanny Davies. 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound (continued). 6.30, Behind the Goals. 7.00, Turning Points. 7.30, Orlando Gibbons. 8.00, Festival Hall Concert: part 1. Tchaikovsky, Prokofiev.† 8.55, Manfred: selections from Byron's dramatic poem. 9.15, Concert: Part 2, Tchaikovsky.† 10.20, Winter in Christiania, by L. W. Bailey with Stephen Murray as Ibsen and Sarah Badel as Emilie Bardach. 11.05, Wolf-Ferrari. 11.25-11.30, News.

4
6.20 am, News. 6.22, Farming. 6.40, Prayer. 6.45, Today. 7.00, News. 7.27, Sportsdesk. 7.35, Today's Papers. 7.45, Thought for the Day. 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.27, Sportsdesk. 8.35, Today's Papers. 8.45, Short Story. 9.00, News. 9.05, Richard Baker. 10.00, News. 10.05, From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, If You Think You've Got Problems. 11.50, Sir Geoffrey Jackson: In Search of El Dorado. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, My Music.† 12.55, Weather. 1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play. Joking Apart. 3.50, Jack De Manio. 4.35, Story Time. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.15, Dad's Army. 6.45, The Archers. 7.00, News Desk. 7.30, Any Answers? 8.00, Maugham the Storyteller: The Happy Couple. 8.45, Analysis: A Foot in Both Camps: Gerald Priestland on Communism in Yugoslavia. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, The World Tonight. 10.45, A Book at Bedtime: The Old Ladies, 7. 11.00, The Financial World Tonight. 11.15, Pon Goes Pygmalion. 11.30, News. 11.51-11.54, Inshore Forecast.
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SPORT

Racing

One Over Parr is the chosen one

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

There will be no challengers from either France or Ireland for the Oaks at Epsom today, and this is the first time for a long time that this has happened. But the 12 English fillies who were declared to run at the four day forfeit stage have all stood their ground. Four trainers will each have two strings to their bow. They are Peter Walwyn, Noel Murless, who has won this classic five times already, Jeremy Tree and Ryan Price.

After the happenings at Epsom on Wednesday there is a growing mood of optimism in Lambourn where One Over Parr and May Hill are trained, a feeling that their trainer Walwyn can become the first man to win the Derby and the Oaks in the same year since Murless did so in 1957 with Crepello and Carozza. Walwyn won the Oaks last year with Polygamy and his first string today is none other than her younger sister One Over Parr whom Patrick Eddery has chosen as his ride.

Some are by no means certain that the young champion jockey has picked correctly, believing May Hill to be the better of the two. But Eddery is adamant that One Over Parr is the right choice today and she is my selection. I saw, both One Over Parr and May Hill out at exercise on Tuesday morning. One Over Parr has done conspicuously well since she won the Cheshire Oaks by beating Shallow Stream and Brilliantine, two of the other runners in the field this afternoon. Like her elder sister she is not prone to over-exert herself on the gallops at home where May Hill is certainly a more impressive worker. But Eddery is undeterred. He knows her and he is happy with her.

May Hill still appears to be backward in her coat and in need of some warmer weather. Furthermore there are grounds for thinking that like her dam, Mabel, who finished second in the Oaks 10 years ago, May Hill would appreciate more than just a drop of rain. All her three races have been run on soft going.

When trying to weigh up today's classic the mind inevitably recalls the finish of the Cheshire Oaks, which concerned One Over Parr, Shallow Stream and Brilliantine and the closing stages of the Musidora Stakes, which Moonlight Night won by beating May Hill, Tender Camilla and Val's Girl. Those with longer memories may also recall the finish of the Virginia Water Stakes at Ascot last July. That could also have been a pertinent race as far as today is concerned because One Over Parr won it by beating, among others, Moonlight Night. What she has done once she could well do again.

The last time that sisters won the Oaks was in 1890 and 1892 when Memoir and La Fleche were successful. No one ought to be surprised if One Over Parr were to follow in her elder sister Polygamy's footsteps, and no one ought to be taken aback if May Hill finishes second in spite of what they say at Newmarket, where Moonlight Night and Shallow Stream are trained.

The betting suggests that Moonlight Night is out on her own and in a class above her stable companion Shallow Stream, but the market may not be a true reflection on this occasion. Shallow Stream stays particularly well, and recently there has been precious little in it when they have galloped together on the heath. Indeed our Newmarket correspondent advises anyone who has backed Moonlight Night to save on Shallow Stream, the stable's second string.

The best outsider, he thinks, could be Misoptimist who has worked so stylishly since she won the Lupe Stakes at Goodwood. Jeremy Tree has declared both Brilliantine and Juliette Marny to run and he has Piggott and Starkey standing by to ride them. But he wants rain badly for Brilliantine and will not decide whether or not to run her until he has inspected the course this morning. This does not surprise me because Brilliantine has a pronounced knee action, indeed an action that looks totally unsuited to firm ground. It was on very soft ground that she excelled at Ascot in the autumn when she won the Sandwich Stakes by six lengths. Juliette Marny, Tree's other runner, won the Princess Elizabeth Stakes at Epsom in the spring but was disqualified within minutes of doing so because she had hung to her left and bumped the second. The Lingfield Oaks trial provided her with some consolation but she only won that prize after a prolonged battle with Harmonise, from whom she was receiving 5lb.

Last autumn, Harmonise finished third in the Criterium des Pouliches won by the French filly, Oak Hill. More recently Oak Hill finished fourth in the Prix St Alary, behind Foiled Again, a stable companion of One Over Parr and May Hill. Tebaldi finished five lengths behind Juliette Marny and Harmonise at Lingfield. Tebaldi is trained by Ryan Price but his stable jockey Tony Murray prefers Anadyomene and understandably so because she has much more scope than Tebaldi.

There was a lot to like about the way Anadyomene won her race at Newbury last month. Sea Anchor and Peter Wrekin, the two finishing nearest to her on that occasion, have both drawn attention to her performance by winning since then. But Price says what he said at the time, that Anadyomene is his idea of a filly who would be better suited to a programme comprising the Ribblesdale Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Irish Oaks rather than today's classic. For all that Anadyomene looks a lively outsider, priced as she is at 20—1.

Whatever his luck in the Oaks, Noel Murless seems to have a good chance of winning the Ebbisham Handicap with Dazzling Light. Sunny Nest, the filly that Dazzling Light beat so decisively at Chester, then went on to win a good race at Sandown Park, the Chequers stakes. Somehow I cannot visualize Royal Sensation giving her 11 pounds. Royal Sensation easily won a similar, though less valuable, race run over today's course and distance in April but she will be meeting Lynwood Sovereign on 9 lb worse terms than when they finished second and third in the Lupe Stakes with only a short head in it.

Quietness, who ran well twice in the spring before she let her connexions down badly at York where she finished behind Red Gayle and Ruling Class, will be wearing blinkers for the first time.

Noel Murless, responsible for Moonlight Night and Shallow Stream, has the best trainers' record having won the Oaks five times with Carrozza (1957), Petite Etoile (1959), Lupe (1970), Altesse Royale (1971) and Mysterious (1973).

Lester Piggott has the best jockeys' record with three wins—Carrozza, Petite Etoile, and Valoris (1966). Geoffrey Lewis has won twice with Altesse Royale and Mysterious, and the following once each: Patrick Eddery (Polygamy), Joe Mercer (Ambiguity, 1953), Tony Murray (Ginevra, 1972), Greville Starkey (Homeward Bound, 1964).

Val's Girl is a daughter of Valoris, a former winner, and like her dam is owned by Sir Charles Clore whose Anne La Douce was third in 1961.

Ryan Price (Anadyomene and Tebaldi) was successful with Ginevra and Bill Elsey (Snow Tribe) won in 1967 with Pia.

STATE OF GOING (official): Epsom: Firm. Haydock Park: Good to firm (watered). Catterick Bridge: Good to firm (watered). Warwick (tomorrow): Good to firm.

Runners for today's Oaks

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301	0-21	Anadyomene (M. Simmonds), H. Price, 9-0 A. Murray (Black, gold sleeves, red hooped cap)	12
302	221-3	Brilliantine (J. Whitney), J. Tree, 9-0 G. Starkey (Pink, black and white striped sleeves, white cap)	6
303	113-02	Harmonise (Ld Rotherwick), W. Hern, 9-0 J. Mercer (Light blue, white sleeves, quartered cap)	3
304	02-d1	Juliette Marny (D) (J. Morrison), J. Tree, 9-0 L. Piggott (Dark green, white sash, check cap)	4
305	1-22	May Hill (G. Williams), P. Walwyn, 9-0 .. F. Morby (Scarlet, black sleeves, gold cap)	11
306	4143-1	Misoptimist (Mrs P. Threlfall), J. Hindley, 9-0 A. Kimberley (Flame, gold striped sleeves, hooped cap)	10
307	4-1	Moonlight Night (H. Joel), N. Murless, 9-0 G. Lewis (Black, scarlet cap)	1
308	11-31	One Over Parr (L. Freedman), P. Walwyn, 9-0 P. Eddery (Yellow, black spots, yellow sleeves and cap)	5
309	3001-22	Shallow Stream (H. Joel), N. Murless, 9-0 .. E. Eldin (Black and white stripes, white sleeves scarlet cap)	7
310	3033-10	Snow Tribe (N. Hetherton), W. Elsey, 9-0 .. F. Durr (Pink, navy blue collar, cuffs and quartered cap)	9
311	2331-03	Tebaldi (C. St George), H. Price, 9-0 .... B. Taylor (Black, white chevron hoop and cap)	8
312	402-14	Val's Girl (Sir C. Clore), B. van Cutsem, 9-0 W. Carson (Royal blue, pink collar, cuffs and quartered cap, white sleeves.)	2

9-4 Moonlight Night, 7-2 One Over Parr, 8-1 Harmonise, 10-1 May Hill, Brilliantine, 16-1 Juliette Marny, Misoptimist, Shallow Stream, 18-1 Val's Girl, 20-1 Anadyomene, Tebaldi, 100-1 Snow Tribe.



Moonlight Night: one of the threats to a Lambourn double.

Guide to big race form

Anadyomene, ch f, by Sea Hawk II—Labibela by Honeyway: 8-11 (A. Murray), 4-2 fav, won 2½ l from Sea Anchor with Peter Wrekin 1½ away third of 21. Newbury (1m 5f), May 16. Soft.

Brilliantine, b f, by Stage Door Johnny—Lacquer by Shantung: see One Over Parr. 8-8 (G. Starkey), 5-1 won 6l from Zabaglione with Truly Brave 2l away third of 10. Ascot (1m), Oct 12. Heavy.

Harmonise, ch f, by Reliance II—Swift Harmony by Elopement: see Juliette Marny.

Juliette Marny, b f, by Blakeney—Set Free by Worden II: 8-9 (L. Piggott), 6-4 fav, won hd from Harmonise (9-0, J. Mercer), 9-2 with Tebaldi (9-0, A. Murray), 7-2 5l third of 7. Lingfield Park (1½m), May 9. Soft. 8-7 (G. Starkey), 16-1, won 2l from Persian Market with Shallow Stream (8-11, G. Lewis), 8-11 5l back third of 11. Epsom (1m 110yd), Apr 23. Good. Later disqualified and placed second.

May Hill, b f, by Hill Clown—Mabel by French Beige: see Moonlight Night. 8-9 (F. Morby), 9-2, btn 5l by Carnauba with Joking Apart 2½l back third of 8. Newbury (7f 60yd), April 18. Heavy.

Misoptimist, b f, by Blakeney—Heat Beat by Firestreak: 8-8 (A. Kimberley), 15-2, won ¾l from Royal Sensation with Lynwood Sovereign sh back third of 7. Goodwood (1¼m), May 22. Firm.

Moonlight Night, b f, by Levmoss—Lovely Night by Henry the Seventh: 9-0 (G. Lewis), 9-2, bt May Hill (9-0, P. Eddery), 7-4 fav hd with Tender Camilla 1½ third of 10. Val's Girl (9-0, W. Carson), 9-2 was 4th, btn 3½l. York (1m 2½f), May 14. Soft.

Shallow Stream, b f, by Reliance II—Rustling Waters by Ballymoss: see One Over Parr and Juliette Marny.

Snow Tribe, b f, by Great Nephew—[illegible] Stage by Never Say Die. 7-8 (S. Salmon), 13-1, seventh of 8, btn [illegible]. Haydock Park (1¼m), May 23. Firm.

One Over Parr, b f, by Reform—Seventh Bride by Royal Record II. 9-0 (P. Eddery), 7-2 fav won 2l from Shallow Stream (9-0, G. Lewis), 5-1 with Brilliantine (9-0, L. Piggott), 5-1 1½l away third of 11. Chester (1m 3f 60yd), May 7. Good.

Tebaldi, ch f, by Aureole—Russian Princess by Henry The Seventh: see Juliette Marny.

Val's Girl, b f, by Sir Ivor—Valoris by Tiziano: see Moonlight Night.

Bless This Horse kept to his task by Carson

By Michael Seely

In a tight finish for the John Moores Wildlife Handicap Stakes at Epsom yesterday Sir Charles Clore's Bless This Horse held off the late thrust of Reformed Character to beat him by a neck, with Tudor Crown half a length away third. Fanatico had tried his usual forcing tactics but had never been able to shake off the winner.

Approaching the last quarter of a mile Carson kicked for home and was soon in a clear lead. But over the distance it was crystal clear that Reformed Character constituted the only possible danger but Brook Holliday's five-year-old is a law unto himself. At Redcar recently he had thrown away a first-class chance of winning the Vaux Gold Tankard by hanging under pressure and yesterday history repeated itself. Ducking and diving about with his head laid to one side Reformed Character refused to respond to Barclay's urging. Only on meeting the rising ground did he consent to run on but all too late. The favourite, Merry Kerry, had been only cantering at the top of the hill but racing down to Tattenham Corner he had begun to be stretched by the pace.

Bernard van Cutsem trains Bless This Horse, who ran in the same colours as the stable's candidate for today's Oaks, Val's Girl. Van Cutsem considers that Val's Girl was unsuited by the slow early gallop and the soft ground in the Musidora Stakes at York, where she could only finish fourth to Moonlight Night. "Val's Girl is very well in herself and must have a great chance", the trainer said yesterday.

Van Cutsem was warm in his praise of Carson's riding of Bless This Horse as a five-year-old has to be made to lie up with the gallop and to exert himself. I saw Bless This Horse take valuable handicaps at Newcastle and Haydock Park last season ridden the same way and it is obvious too that like most American-bred horses he also relishes a fast surface.

Although Stiff Ingham has only been training for Jim Joel for the past three years all the four horses that the Epsom trainer has bought for him have won. Yesterday, ridden by Piggott at his most forceful, Mr Joel's Hey Presto overhauled Prima Magi and Positive Dream in the final stages of the Atlantic Assurance Acorn Stakes to record his fourth win off the reel. There may be faster two-year-olds in training than Hey Presto but certainly none more genuine.

Following a stewards inquiry Prima Magi was disqualified from second place for accidentally interfering with Cereum and placed fourth. The odds on favourite, David Robinson's Get Ready, considered by most of us as the banker of the meeting, showed none of the fire she displayed when scoring easily at the Guineas meeting. Her backers knew their fate was sealed in the first furlong as Get Ready, who broke like a rocket from the stalls at Newmarket was never in the front rank yesterday.

Mr Robinson also owned the favourite in the Banner Panda Handicap Stakes, Common Land. Common Land tried to move up in the straight but was never going well enough to reach a challenging position. The race went to the Chester failure, Barrettstown, trained by Noel Murless.

Garfield Weston's three-year-old, who had run promisingly behind Consol at Sandown Park had performed so dismally in the Dee Stakes behind Ravel that most of us had discarded him yesterday. But not for the first time Chester form proved a most unreliable yardstick. Barrettstown was always moving easily in the lead yesterday and if Lewis had not been easing him in the last furlong he would have won by a far wider margin than the three quarters of a length he had to spare over Chil The Kite.

Another fluent victory for Newmarket yesterday was the success of Tzar Prince in the Creative Metals Tiger Stakes. Frank Durr riding his first winner for Ravi Tikoo under his new contract sent Tzar Prince clear of his rivals early in the straight and the result was never in doubt. High hopes are entertained by Ben Hanbury for Tzar Prince who may next run in the Churchill Stakes at Ascot.

At Haydock Park's evening meeting today it may be a case of following horses who have won their races within the past few weeks. The main example is the American bred two-year-old Drop of a Hat, an odds-on winner at Wolverhampton on Monday. Ian Balding saddles him for the six furlong Television Plate. Drop of a Hat has a 6lb penalty, taking him up to 9st, but he makes rather more appeal than Scorton Girl, third at Hamilton over five furlongs to Dunmurry Boy, but running on well at the finish in a style that suggested she might be more at home over six furlongs. This applies also to Clarannlyn.

Epsom programme

[Television (IBA): 2.35, 3.15, 3.50 and 4.25 races]

2.0 CATERHAM STAKES (2-y-o: £848: 5f)

101 4 Aller Brittain (A. Leader), B. Swift, 9-0 ...... P. Cook 7
102 0 Fairman (D. Mills), D. Jermy, 9-0 .... J. Curant 4
103 32 Jimmy Z (T. Gardiner), J. Sutcliffe jun, 9-0 ... B. Rouse 6
105 3 Mums the Word (Lady Mountain), P. Nelson, 9-0 W. Carson 1
108 Bold Desuny (A. Perry), D. Whelan, 8-11 ... L. Eldin 3
109 0 Paper Doll (K. Dodson), S. Ingham, 8-11 G. Ramshaw 5
110 22 Peri Princess (B. Conroy), B. Smyth, 8-11 .. T. Cain 5 2
7-4 Mums the Word, 5-2 Aller Brittain, 4-1 Peri Princess, 9-2 Jimmy Z, 10-1 Paper Doll, 16-1 others.

2.35 CAREW STAKES (2-y-o: £1,174: 6f)

201 00 Corn On The Cob (Mrs H. Povser), H. Price, 8-6 A. Murray 3
203 4 Divine Night (Mrs R. Tikkoo), B. Hanbury, 8-6 .. F. Durr 2
204 4300 Field Marshall (A. Stevens), Stevens, 8-6 .. R. Edmondson 1
206 Quortis (N. Bizarro), W. Marshall, 8-6 ..... R. Marshall 5
207 Swift Heron (G. Heccle), C. Brittain, 8-6 .... W. Carson 4
13-8 Corn on the Cob, 3-1 Divine Night, 4-1 Swift Heron, 11-2 Quortis, 8-1 Field Marshall.

3.15 OAKS STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £44,958: 1½m): Runners and riders as above.

3.50 TADWORTH HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,322: 7f)

401 1210-0 High Season (D) (Mrs H. Phillips), H. Cecil, 9-7 F. Durr 8
403 1021-03 Sweet Reclaim (D) (Mrs A. Normand), T. Waugh, 9-1 A. Murray 7
405 3102-40 Shek-O (Mrs J. Mullion), G. P.-Gordon, 8-7 .. B. Taylor 3
407 010-020 Kashville (G. Greenwood), A. Stevens, 8-7 R. Edmondson 1
408 100-u24 Velvella (W. Greenham), P. Nelson, 8-5 .. L. Piggott 4
409 010-024 Musical Piece (R. Preston), B. Hanbury, 7-13 .. W. Carson 13
412 0-00134 Ephesian (D) (P. Gallagher), W. Marshall, 7-12 R. Marshall 12
414 0000-02 Virginia Drive (B. Schmidt-Bodner), Doug Smith, 7-10 T. McKeown 1
415 0013-0 My Hussar (L. Goldschlager), J. Sutcliffe jun, 7-9 R. Fox 5 6
417 00013-0 Crepina (A. Richards), D. Hanley, 7-9 C. Rodrigues 5 9
420 04-0000 Clown Prince (D) (S. Astaire), B. Swift, 7-8 .... T. Carter 10
421 33-0230 Willie Ormond (J. Banks), N. Angus, 7-7 .... T. Cain 5 5
422 0-03000 Peter Culter (Mrs E. Jackman), J. Mulhall, 7-5 H. Ballantine 5 11
7-2 Ephesian, 4-1 My Hussar, 6-1 Velvella, Virginia Drive, 8-1 Sweet Reclaim, 10-1 High Season, 12-1 Willie Ormond, Shek-O, Musical Piece, 20-1 others.

4.25 EBBISHAM HANDICAP (3-y-o fillies: £3,742: 1m 110yds)

501 01-12 Royal Sensation (CD) (Mrs C. Bingham), P. Walwyn, 9-3 P. Eddery 16
502 11-40 Great Paul (S. Joel), G. P.-Gordon, 9-3 ...... B. Taylor 7
503 4222-14 Welsh Pearl (Lt-Col D. Forster), H. Candy, 8-11 P. Waldron 13
504 141-100 Rocasorena (F. Laker), R. Smyth, 8-9 ...... T. Cain 5 5
505 031410- Flaming Peace (Mrs J. Wright), P. Walwyn, 8-8 J. Mercer 2
506 011-200 ...ncusa (J. Wakefield), C. Brittain, 8-8 ...... R. Fox 5 10
507 21 Dazzling Light (H. Joel), N. Murless, 8-6 ...... G. Lewis 4
508 13-2 Ruling Class (B. Samuel), J. Hindley, 8-6 .... A. Kimberley 1
509 1020-43 Lynwood Sovereign (J. Hill), C. Brittain, 8-5 .. L. Piggott 15
510 41-300 Quietness (J. Sheffield), P. Walwyn, 8-4 ...... F. Morby 12
511 203310- Desert Flame (R. Moller), H. Wragg, 8-4 ...... P. Cook 11
513 00-4121 Gallant Bid (W. Elsey), Elsey, 8-1 ...... A. Murray 8
514 3130-1 Red Gayle (F. Buttery), J. W. Watts, 8-0 .... A. Bond 5 6
515 03-001 Verity's Request (R. Bonnycastle), B. Hills, 8-0 W. Carson 3
516 30-10 Pava (H. Blagrave), Blagrave, 7-13 ...... F. Durr 16
517 0423-02 Essouaira (Mrs B. Davis), G. Peter-Hoblyn, 7-8 D. Cullen 9
7-2 Dazzling Light, 6-1 Royal Sensation, Great Paul, 7-1 Ruling Class, 8-1 Lynwood Sovereign, 10-1 Verity's Request, Gallant Bid, 12-1 Welsh Pearl, Red Gayle, Pevello, 20-1 others.

5.0 ASHTEAD STAKES (3-y-o: £873: 1m 110yds)

601 0-0 Bold Arrow (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 8-11 ...... F. Durr 2
602 004-024 Collaborator (W. Mann), A. Pitt, 8-11 ...... P. Eddery 4
607 0-2 Dial-A-Lad (C. Strin), B. Hills, 8-11 ...... L. Piggott 1
609 4-3 Moonstrike (W. McDonnell), R. Houghton, 8-11 F. Morby 3
4-7 Dial-A-Lad, 5-1 Moonstrike, 6-1 Collaborator, 10-1 Bold Arrow.

Haydock Park programme

[Television (BBC): 7.5 race]

6.35 TELEVISION PLATE (2-y-o: £690: 6f)

3 0 Cane Swallow (J. Jennings), P. Walwyn, 8-8 .. C. Williams 3
6 0 Clissy's Pet (Mrs Rhodes), C. Hunter, 8-8 .... J. Lynch 2
7 03 Clarannlyn (R. Marris), D. Weeden, 8-8 ...... E. Hide 6
10 31 Drop of a Hat (P. Mellon), I. Balding, 9-0 .... J. Matthias 5 1
13 0 Indian Mistress (Mrs Watson), M. McCourt, 8-8 C. Eccleston 8
15 00 Kerry Queen (D. Cripps), C. Miller, 8-8 ...... G. Sexton 9
16 Ready Steady Go (Miss Leggat), B. Hobbs, 8-8 G. Baxter 5
20 32 Scorton Girl (Mrs Shaw), D. Smith, 8-8 ...... P. Kelleher 3
21 Tudor Pageant (H. Poyser), C. Brittain, 8-8 .. P. Madden 7
6-4 Scorton Girl, 9-4 Drop of a Hat, 11-2 Cane Swallow, 8-1 Clissy's Pet, 10-1 Ready Steady Go, 12-1 Clarannlyn, 16-1 others.

7.5 NATIONWIDE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,322: 1m)

1 113-4 Calibina (E. Badger), P. Cole, 9-11 ...... Miss B. Sanders 8
3 042-010 Le Grand Meaulnes (Lord Lambton), D. Smith, 9-1 Miss J. Hansell 3
6 0000-0 Examount (J. Fisher), P. Robinson, 9-1 ...... Mrs M. Gibson 6
8 0000-4 Neverlite (J. Hanson), S. Hall, 8-12 ...... Mrs S. A. Cousins 5
10 0420-00 Snake Dance (R. West), E. Cousins, 8-12 ...... Mrs G. Leah 5 2
12 000-000 Boating Song (P. Mellon), I. Balding, 8-9 Mrs M. Robinson 3 10
13 40001-0 My Sunny (J. Appleton), J. Calvert, 8-5 Mrs J. Calvert 5 7
14 001-u00 Laurel Do (Miss Thorne), W. Charles, 8-5 Miss D. Thorne 9
15 400-040 Airways (A. Mawson), S. Nesbitt, 8-5 ...... Miss D. Weeden 1
17 00020-1 Monetary Star (Mrs Brooks), P. Cundell, 8-5 Miss J. Thorne 3 4
9-4 Calibina, 7-2 Monetary Star, 9-2 My Sunny, 6-1 Le Grand Meaulnes, 8-1 Airways, Snake Dance, 12-1 Examount, 16-1 others.

7.35 SPORTSNIGHT HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,261: 1½m)

1 033-13 Red Sun (Duchess of Norfolk), J. Dunlop, 9-0 R. Hutchinson 6
2 21-2211 Fiery Copper (D) (A. Grey), R. Hollinshead, 8-11 T. Ives 5
3 003111- Estructura (C) (Dr J. Hernandez), G. P.-Gordon, 8-7 D. Maitland 10
4 40-2132 Inkuband (D) (K. Bandisch), B. Hills, 8-6 .... W. Carson 9
5 4-231 Rodado (Lord H. de Walden), E. Weymes, 8-5 .. S. Perks 5 3
6 321-023 Double Nap (R. Spencer), F. Carr, 8-3 ...... E. Hide 7
7 0001-20 Shaba (Sir P. Oppenheimer), H. Wragg, 8-1 .. G. Baxter 4
10 043-001 Premier Cru (Mrs Ambrose), P. Cole, 8-0 .. B. Raymond 2
11 03244-1 Pearl Wedding (Lady Mildale), W. Elsey, 7-13 S. Salmon 5 1
13 022-430 Tudor Slipper (P. Linlinson), H. Price, 7-11 .. E. Johnson 8
3-1 Rodado, 4-1 Red Sun, 5-1 Tudor Slipper, 6-1 Fiery Copper, Double Nap, 8-1 Inkuband, 10-1 Pearl Wedding, Premier Cru, 12-1 Estructura, 16-1 Shaba.

8.5 GRANDSTAND STAKES (£640: 2m)

1 Clear Sailing (F. Browning), P. Cowley, 5-8-11 C. Astbury 18
2 22 Escarole (C. Freud), G. Balding, 5-9-0 ...... W. Carson 13
3 000302 Le Lion (M. Taylor), K. Payne, 5-9-0 ...... S. Eccles 7 9
4 000-00 Bishop's Crook (R. Horton), D. Gandolfo, 4-8-11 A. Webb 7 16
5 0020-00 Bow Venture (D. Freeman), E. Cousins, 4-8-11 G. Cadwaladr 12
6 Chukka (J. Wilson), Wilson, 5-8-11 4
9 Cove Bay (E. Cousins), Cousins, 5-8-11 ...... E. Wilson 15
10 34030-3 Double Pearl (W. Jackson), M. W. Easterby, 4-8-11 C. Tinkler 10
11 Elmir (M. Kingsley), S. Mellor, 5-8-11 ...... R. Hutchinson 11
12 240303- Glamoray (S. Jarrett), H. Westbrook, 4-8-11 .. M. L. Thomas 8
14 3-0 The Hickey Column (Mrs Banks), M. McCourt, 5-8-11 C. Eccleston 5
17 0- Mark's Boy (D. A. Jones), A. Jones, 5-8-11 .... P. Steel 5 3
20 00-0 Palace Hope (Mrs Morley), A. Goodwill, 5-8-11 17
21 00-0 Pal David (G. Anderson), L. Docker, 5-8-11 .... G. Sexton 1
22 0000-04 Snow Leap (P. Murphy), J. Berry, 4-8-11 ... S. Houlker 7 14
24 Spanish Lacquer (J. Craig), F. Carr, 5-8-11 .... E. Hide 6
28 00 True Lad (Mrs Swainson), W. Swainson, 5-8-11 D. Pewar 7 12
29 True Vote (W. Lewis), E. Morgan, 4-8-11 .... D. Nicholls 7 3
30 0000-0 Tudor Court (F. Smith), L. Shedden, 5-8-11 .. E. Johnson 20
31 00400-0 Wrexham (E. Cousins), Cousins, 5-8-11 ...... D. Mulcahy 7 7
9-4 Escarole, 7-2 Bow Venture, 9-2 Snow Leap, 6-1 The Hickey Column, 8-1 Spanish Lacquer, 10-1 Le Lion, 12-1 Elmir, 16-1 others.

8.35 SPORT ON TWO HANDICAP (£690: 7f)

2 11320-0 Gur Amir (S. Joel), G. P.-Gordon, 7-9-5 .... J. Johnson 5 8
3 030201 Princeley Mount (C) (C. Perks), R. Hollinshead, 5-9-8 T. Ives 3
4 03-0210 Hard Sailor (E. Barber), J. Calvert, 5-9-6 .... P. Eddery 3
5 10-0222 Great Echo (Sir J. Scott), D. Sasse, 5-9-4 R. Edmondson 7
6 120-022 Danum (C) (Mrs Keaveney), B. Hills, 6-9-3 .... W. Carson 1
7 32000-0 Rock Signal (R. Taylor), R. Peacock, 9-9-3 .... E. Hide 2
10 0000-00 Blue Barrier (G. Lim), E. Cousins, 5-8-13 G. Cadwaladr 6
11 333-423 Kenco (C) (Mrs Haigh), W. Haigh, 6-9-3 .... S. Salmon 5 4
15 0030-14 Abercorn (Mrs Napier), E. Collingwood, 3-8-2 .... O. Gray 9
3-1 Kenco, 4-1 Abercorn, 5-1 Great Echo, 6-1 Hard Sailor, 8-1 Rock Signal, Gur Amir, 10-1 Danum, 12-1 Princely Mount, 16-1 others

9.05 TODAY PLATE (2-y-o: £483: 6f)

2 431 Allez Allostock (Mrs Ainsworth), J. W. Watts, 8-11 J. Lowe 4
11 01 Fair Victory (J. Rose), P. Ashworth, 8-8 ...... G. Baxter 6
13 213 Long Drop (D. Beresford), T. Fairhurst, 8-8 .... E. Johnson 8
21 C Captain's Wings (S. Roakes), F. Carr, 8-6 ...... E. Hide 5
22 Happy Hollow (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 8-6 .. B. Raymond 1
25 Natheron (C. Moores), R. Peacock, 8-6 ...... A. Horrocks 2
27 6 Royal's Green (G. Kirchin), G. Hunter, 8-6 .... J. Lynch 7
32 0 Wistanwick (H. Hopkins), A. W. Jones, 8-6 ...... C. Moss 3
9-4 Allez Allostock, 7-2 Fair Victory, 9-2 Long Drop, 4-1 Captain's Wings, 8-1 Happy Hollow, Natheron, 10-1 Royal's Green, 20-1 Wistanwick.

Catterick Bridge programme

2.15 SCORTON PLATE (Handicap: £345: 6f)

1 2300-00 Velvet Prince (Mrs Tanner), B. Richmond, 4-9-13 P. Madden 8
2 0200-00 Huland (B. Middleton), P. Haslam, 4-9-12 .. F. Wernham 5 9
3 03000-0 Whatsname (CD) (J. Hardy), Hardy, 4-9-6 ...... C. Moss 4
4 20-0000 Spinfire (B. Townsend), T. Taylor, 4-9-6 ...... K. Lewis 5 14
6 00-0400 Big Jake (D) (B. Kerrigan), K. Payne, 5-9-5 .. A. Cousins 2
7 00-0000 Solo Spy (M. Taylor), K. Payne, 5-9-1 ...... T. Lappin 12
11 2000-0 Give Vent (D. Faulkner), E. Carr, 5-8-11 .... B. Connorton 7
12 0420-00 Mr Manacie (D) (R. Batten), K. Whitehead, 4-8-9 J. Skilling 10
14 000020 Doubtful Lad (Mrs Heron), R. Vibert, 5-8-7 .. T. Johnson 5 17
16 01- Eagle River (K. Purnell), T. Taylor, 3-5-7 ...... I. Emes 5 16
19 00-0 Confederate Queen (Miss Wilson), I. Jordon, 3-8-4 J. Seagrave 6
20 04000-4 Grim Lass (E. Briggs), J. Berry, 3-8-5 ...... S. Salmon 5 1
21 0000-00 She Thawed (H. Morgan), T. Wiles, 3-8-1 .... J. Higgins 15
23 400000- Naria Mani Poum (R. Simpson), B. Richmond, 3-8-0 13
25 0 Dunboy (L. Barratt), Barratt, 5-7-11 ...... G. Duffield 13
27 3304-00 Derring Boy (M. Styring), J. Hunt, 3-7-10 ...... D. McKay 3
31 Arthurs Choice (Mrs Eyre), C. Boothman, 6-7-8 C. Eccleston 11
7-2 Give Vent, 4-1 Doubtful Lad, 5-1 Big Jake, 13-2 Huland, 8-1 Grim Lass, Mr Manacie, 12-1 Solo Spy, Whatsname, 16-1 others.

2.45 GILLING PLATE (2y-o: £311: 5f)

3 Betsy May (Mrs Carr), S. Hall, 8-11 ...... W. Bentley 13
9 Cortown Lady (J. Brown), W. Wharton, 8-11 .. K. Lewis 5 2
10 0 Coy Girl (G. Thornton), J. Etherington, 8-11 .... C. Dwyer 14
11 04 Fancy Streak (T. Taylor), J. Hardy, 8-11 ...... C. Moss 7
12 00 Filter Virginia (V. Salkeld), H. Blackshaw, 8-11 A. Horrocks 12
16 Lady Chairman (B. Coulson), S. Wainwright, 8-11 J. Seagrave 16
17 Little Friend (Mrs Raphael), J. Hindley, 8-11 N. Crowther 7 14
18 343 Maltese Lace (D. Smith), Smith, 8-11 ...... T. Kelsey 1
21 Mitzi May (A. Soulsby), E. Weymes, 8-11 .... G. Duffield 8
23 0 Moon Blink (C. Maxstead), E. Weymes, 8-11 .... S. Perks 5
24 02 Noble Memory (J. Swift), B. Swift, 8-11 M. L. Thomas 17
25 004 Prevailing Love (M. Styring), J. Hunt, 8-11 .... D. McKay 10
28 Sabi River (H. Moore), M. Stoute, 8-11 ...... E. Hide 3
29 034 Shady Desire (I. Robinson), T. Fairhurst, 8-11 E. Johnson 11
31 4322 Tamalan (Mrs Metcalfe), L. Shedden, 8-11 C. Eccleston 4
32 0 Track Anna (T. Anthony), L. Shedden, 8-11 .. S. Parkin 7 9
34 0 Waterthrush (Mrs Robeson), Thomson Jones, 8-11 J. Lynch 6
7-4 Noble Memory, 3-1 Maltese Lace, 4-1 Shady Desire, 6-1 Sabi River, 10-1 Little Friend, Tamalan, 14-1 others.

3.15 CROFT HANDICAP (3-y-o: £468: 1½m)

2 00141-0 Carnlea House (M. Kellott), D. Smith, 8-13 .. L. Charnock 5 2
3 022-302 St Tryst (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 8-4 .... B. Raymond 1
8 010-134 Beechwood Lad (W. Bulmer), R. Bastiman, 7-13 D. Nicholls 7 4
14 40-0022 Des (Sir R. Verdin), R. Houghton, 7-9 ...... D. McKay 6
15 0300-41 Moray (Sir D. Clague), M. H. Easterby, 7-9 .. S. Salmon 5 8
16 4200-00 I'll Be Around (Mrs Day), B. Hills, 7-7 ...... R. Street 3
17 000-22 Royal Orbit (D. Adams), J. W. Watts, 7-7 ...... J. Lowe 2
18 0000-00 Ozaki (Miss Hawkins), D. Smith, 7-5 ...... R. Still 9
19 0-02434 Alcayde (C. Hague), B. Richmond, 7-5 ...... K. Lewis 5 7
9-4 Des, 3-1 St Tryst, 7-2 Royal Orbit, 6-1 Moray, 8-1 I'll Be Around, 12-1 Carnlea House, 16-1 others.

3.45 SCOTCH CORNER STAKES (£511: 1½m)

6 2-002 Breakaduck (H. Manners), W. A. Stephenson, 4-9-7 J. Seagrave 16
9 00- Moss Way (Dr A. Jones), A. Jones, 4-9-7 .... G. Williams 7 8
10 230-000 Sanali (A. Cameron), R. Bastiman, 4-9-7 .... D. Nicholls 7 11
11 233-044 Derrienne (A. Cummins), E. Collingwood, 4-9-4 B. Connorton 6
13 0000-0f Impression (J. White), D. Smith, 4-9-1 .... L. Charnock 5 1
15 000- Merry Mischief (R. Johnson), I. Jordon, 4-9-4 .... J. Skilling 5
16 3s- Snowdrift (C. Lamb), Lamb, 4-9-4 .... P. Madden 13
17 0- Swedish Lady (C. Clark), T. Molony, 4-9-4 ...... J. Reid 5 3
18 40-003 Baltic Ruler (N. Simpson), R. Jarvis, 3-8-4 .. M. L. Thomas 4
19 0 Dandy Scot (H. Hutchison), W. Elsey, 3-8-4 .... E. Hide 12
21 3320-40 Genovese (F. Jackson), B. Lunness, 3-8-4 .. B. Raymond 2
22 2000-00 Little Ditch (Lady Compton), G. Kindersley, 3-8-4 I. Johnson 5 14
27 00-00 Porto Rico (G. Dady), J. Etherington, 3-8-4 .. C. Dwyer 9
24 00 Scutari (T. Mansfield), F. Carr, 3-8-4 ...... G. Cadwaladr 10
25 000- Conyer (Miss Heath), J. W. Watts, 3-8-1 .... J. Lowe 7
28 20-0 Lilo (Mrs Hindley), J. Hindley, 3-8-1 .... M. Kettle 15
13-8 Baltic Ruler, 7-2 Lilo, 9-2 Breakaduck, 6-1 Genovese, 10-1 Dandy Scot, Derrienne, 16-1 others.

4.15 JERVAULX HANDICAP (4-y-o: £417: 1m 7f)

2 000-000 Clove Hitch (Lord Fairhaven), R. Hobbs, 4-9-8 B. Connorton 10
4 0013-00 Firing Line (Lady Cohen), D. Smith, 4-9-7 .... G. Duffield 1
5 0013-00 Baker Brown (C. Boll), F. Carr, 4-5-1 ...... G. Cadwaladr 2
6 00241-0 Mantinea (H. Roberts), W. Hall, 4-9-0 .... E. Johnson 4
7 100340- Reikotime (J. Simpson), W. A. Stephenson, 4-8-13 S. Salmon 5 5
8 01132-0 Aunt Augusta (C) (M. Bennet), N. Callaghan, 4-8-13 J. Reid 5 9
9 120-000 Piccadilly Etta (C) (Miss Wolf), B. Lunness, 4-8-11 B. Raymond 3
10 20-0000 Anhydrous (M. Burke), E. Collingwood, 4-8-11 P. Humbert 7
11 0000-03 Khadine (J. Robinson), R. Vibert, 4-8-6 .. I. Johnson 8
12 14000-3 My Ribero (C. Hague), B. Richmond, 4-8-5 .. K. Lewis 5
11-4 Aunt Augusta, 7-2 Piccadilly Etta, 4-1 Clove Hitch, 11-2 Firing Line, 8-1 Khadine, 12-1 Mantinea, My Ribero, 16-1 others.

4.45 MERRYBENT PLATE (3-y-o: £311: 7f)

1 23-1 Affirmative (J. Spriggs), M. H. Easterby, 9-2 .... M. Birch
2 00404-0 Belle Noire (W. Jardine), D. Smith, 8-11 .. L. Charnock 5
6 Candy Sucre (L. Probert), L. Barratt, 8-11 A. Thornley 7
7 00-00 The Collector (Mrs Helmann), J. Hindley, 8-11 .. M. Kettle
11 00-00 Family Planning (Sir R. Verdin), R. Houghton, 8-11 D. McKay
13 00- Kiyorama (F. Iso), J. Winter, 8-11 ...... G. Duffield
16 40-00 Merette (Mrs Small), W. Elsey, 8-11 ...... J. Higgins
18 2-0 On Spec (Mrs Richardson), K. Whitehead, 8-11 J. Skilling
20 0-3024 Purple Princess (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 8-11 B. Raymond
21 200000- Quismina (J. Breslin), S. Wainwright, 8-11 J. Seagrave
24 200000- Salamanter (A. Snowden), W. F. Murray, 8-11 A. Cousins
25 0040-0 Scaadda (D. Faulkner), E. Carr, 8-11 .... G. Cadwaladr
26 0 Secunduswil (P. Young), K. Whitehead, 8-11 B. Connorton
30 0 Sugar Shortage (N. Green), A. Smith, 8-11 .... W. Bentley
5-2 Affirmative, 7-2 Purple Princess, 9-2 The Collector, 6-1 Kiyorama, 10-1 Family Planning, 12-1 On Spec, 14-1 Belle Noire, Merette, 20-1 others.

Catterick selections

By Our Racing Staff

2.15 Grim Lass. 2.45 Noble Memory. 3.15 Royal Orbit. 3.45 Breakaduck. 4.15 Firing Line. 4.45 Affirmative.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.45 Little Friend. 3.45 Lilo. 4.45 Purple Princess.

Epsom selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

2.0 Mum's The Word. 2.35 Divine Night. 3.15 One Over Parr. 3[illegible] Velvella. 4.25 DAZZLING LIGHT is specially recommended. [illegible] Dial-a-Lad.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.15 Moonlight Night. 3.50 Sweet Reclaim. 4.25 Dazzling Light.

Haydock Park selections

By Our Racing Staff

6.35 DROP OF A HAT is specially recommended. 7.5 Monetary St[ar]. 7.35 Pearl Wedding. 8.5 Escarole. 8.35 Danum. 9.5 ALLEZ ALL[OSTOCK] is specially recommended.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.35 Ready Steady Go. 7.35 Estructura. 8.5 Glamoray.

Forthcoming big race dates

JUNE: 7: Coronation Cup, William Hill Champion Sprint Handicap, Epsom. 17: St James's Palace Stakes, Prince of Wales Stakes, Coventry Stakes, Ribblesdale Stakes, Ascot. 18: Coronation Stakes, Royal Hunt Cup, Queen Mary Stakes, Queen's Vase, Ascot. 19: Ascot Gold Cup, King Edward VII Stakes, Cork and Orrery Stakes, Ascot. 20: Hardwicke Stakes, King's Stand Stakes, Wokingham Stakes, Ascot. 28: Joe Coral Northumberland Plate, Newcastle; Irish Sweeps Derby, Pretty Polly Stakes, the Curragh.

JULY 4: Lancashire Oaks, Haydock Park. 5: Benson and Hedges Eclipse Stakes, Sandown Park. 8: Prince of Wales's Stakes, Newmarket. 9: July Stakes, Newmarket. 10: July C[up], Newmarket. 19: Joe Coral Handi[cap], Ayr; Irish Guinness Oaks, the Curra[gh]. 26: King George VI and Queen E[lizabeth] Stakes, Ascot: Joe Coral Ha[ndi]cap, Newcastle. 29: Sulliers Stewa[rds] Cup, Goodwood. 30: Richmond Sta[kes], Sussex Stakes, Goodwood. 31: Go[od]wood Cup, Goodwood.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: O[ne] Anne Stakes: Hul Down. All engagements (dead): October, The Spook, Tudor.

Epsom results

2.0 (2.1) CREATIVE METALS TIGER STAKES (3-y-o: £900: 1¼m)

Tzar Prince, ch c, by Majestic Prince—Miss Ribot (R. Tikkoo), 8-11 ...... F. Durr (7-1 fav) 1
Dread Scott, b c, by Tom Rolfe—Free Model (Mrs D. Hewitt), 8-11 ...... J. Mercer (11-4) 2
Chas Sawyer, b c, by Pall Mall—Distant Horizon (C. Sawyer), 9-3 ...... B. Taylor (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 8-1 Big Venture, Twenty-Two Carat, 14-1 Twin Power (4th), 25-1 Bum Bum, 33-1 Tricky Nicky, 50-1 Queens Slipper. 9 ran.

TOTE: Win, 31p; places, 12p, 15p, 17p; dual forecast, 50p. B. Hanbury, at Newmarket. 3l, sh hd. 2min 07.96sec.

2.35 (2.37) PEDIGREE CHUM STAKES (2-y-o: £2,561: 6f)

Fruits of Love, ch c, by Divine Gift—Fruit Cup (A. Joy), 9-0 P. Cook (11-2) 1
The Little Poem, ch f, by Whistling Wind—Risky Rendezvous (Mr A. Clegg) 8-6 .. G. Baxter (14-1) 2
Flying Cheetah, b f, by St Chad—Aristocratic (J. Nolan), 8-11 L. Piggott (11-10 on fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 12-1 Fleur D'Amour, Gala Season, 14-1 Chop-Chop, (a) Gid, 16-1 Deails 5s (4th), 16-1 Dear Dorothy, 20-1 Black District Fountains Abbey, Golden Bird, Muriska Prince. 13 ran.

TOTE: Win, 65p; places, 17p, 43p, 12p. B. Swift, at Epsom. 1l, 3l. 1min 10.48sec.

3.10 (3.14) JOHN MOORES WILDLIFE HANDICAP (£3,818: 1½m)

Bless This Horse, b c, by Stage Door Johnny—Bless Pat (Sir C. Clore), 9-3 ... W. Carson (16-1) 1
Reformed Character, br h, by Reliance II—No Saint (L. Holliday), 9-0 ... A. Barclay (12-1) 2
Tudor Crown, b c, by Tudor Music—Groomless (Mrs O. McSweeney), 8-2 ...... A. Kimberley (13-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Merry Kerry, 6-1 Asdir, 7-1 Fanatico, 12-1 King's Equity (4th), 13-1 Dakota, 14-1 Kingfel, 13-1 Wishing Star, 16-1 Woodland Reward, 20-1 Pirate Bell, Val D'Amour, Our Manny. 14 ran.

TOTE: Win, [illegible]; places, 75p, 43p, 53p. B. van Cutsem, at Newmarket. Nk, ½l. 2min 35.55sec. Carnera did not run.

3.40 (3.42) ATLANTIC ASSURANCE ACORN STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,961: 5f)

Hey Presto, b f, by Mummy's Pet—Magic Maiden (H. Joel), 9-0 L. Piggott (4-5) 1
Positive Dream, ch f, by Jimmy Reppin—Martaiaina (J. Ears), 9-0 ...... R. Marshall (9-2) 2
Cereum, b f, by Tudor Grey—Ribes (E. Benjamin), 8-7 W. Carson (15-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-6 fav Get Ready, 12-1 Prima Magi (4th), 25-1 Mouraquila. 5 ran.

TOTE: Win, 48p; places, 24p, 30p; forecast, £1.80. S. Ingham, at Epsom. Hd, ½l. 58.02sec. Prima Magi finished second, but after a stewards' inquiry was relegated to fourth place.

4.15 (4.16) BANNER PANDA HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,628: 1¼m)

Barrettstown, b c, by Aureole—Lady Bountiful II (G. Weston) 8-5 ...... G. Lewis (6-1) 1
Chil the Kite, b c, by Kalydon—Dipper (Eva Lady Rosebery), 8-11 ...... G. Baxter (13-2) 2
Kirov, b c, by On Your Mark—Pavlova (P. Gallagher), 8-7 R. Marshall (9-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 fav Common Land, 9-2 Gold Claim (4th), 5-1 Gaelic, 10-1 Glarious Devon, 14-1 Uncle Romus. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, 57p; places, 21p, 25p, 25p; dual forecast, £2.51. N. Murless, at Newmarket. ¾l, 2½l. 2min 8.84sec.

4.45 (4.46) CON-MECH SPRINT HANDICAP (3-y-o: £860: 6f)

Doyenne, b f, by Don—Caranno (S. Fraser), 7-12 P. Cook (16-1) 1
Royfern, b c, by Sing Sing—Follow Elizabeth (A. Kennedy), 9-5 ...... L. Piggott (11-8 fav) 2
Welsh Mate, b f, by Welsh Saint—King's Mate (Col Sir D. Clague), 8-7 .. P. Eddery (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 Gold Mark, Inze Baba, 12-1 Chipusa (4th), 14-1 Phantom Town, Singing Time. 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.62; places, 20p, 17p, 18p; dual forecast, £1.18. 1min 10.13sec. Teracross did not run.

TOTE DOUBLE: Bless this Horse, Barrettstown, £56.30. TREBLE: Fruits of Love, Hey Presto, Doyenne, £158.40. Jackpot not won. Guaranteed pool of £20,000 carried forward to today. Consolation dividend, £254.25 (paid on first four legs).

Carlisle evening meeting

6.45 (6.51) BUTTERMERE STAKES (2-y-o: £393: 5f)

Hilliana, b f, by Goldhill—Siciliana (S. Head), 8-1 S. Salmon (7-1) 1
Bath Miss, ch f, by Appiani II—Glittering Prize (R. Gray), 8-1 S. Webster (6-1) 2
Fast Music, gr c, by Runnymede—Alys Grey (J. Hardy), 8-9 C. Moss (2-1 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 11-2 The Danstan, 6-1 Solar Saint, 8-1 The Last, 10-1 Little Charmer, 11-1 Wicken Folly, 33-1 Pall Tavi (4th), Fire Glaze, Evening Ray, Olivamie's Dandy. 12 ran.

TOTE: Win 29p; places, 15p, 58p, 18p. M. W. Easterby, at Flaxton. 1l, 2l.

7.10 (7.20) LOWESWATER HANDICAP (£444: 6f)

Double Seven, ch c, by Fair Decision—Aspida (T. Milner), 3-8-7 L. Charnock (20-1) 1
Queensway, ch g, by Typhoon—Lady Cortina (J. Finlayson), 3-8-12 .... M. Nuttall (7-2) 2
Two Ronnies, b c, by Carnival Dancer—Little Singer (J. Glover), 3-[illegible] .... G. Cadwaladr (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Buckfastleigh (4th), 5-1 Court God, 6-1 Red Dawn, 8-1 Katabila, 10-1 Woolakin, 12-1 Inkling. 9 ran.

TOTE: Win, £2.28; places, 57p, 34p, 33p; dual forecast, £1.77.

7.40 (7.43) BASSENTHWAITE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £461: 1m)

Uncle John, b c, by Falcon—Pantilo (J. Smith), 8-10 P. Kelleher (10-1) 1
Blue Ribbon, g r f, by Aureole—Blue Wand (Mrs J. Dunlop), 8-8 ...... D. Gillespie (11-2) 2
Eloquent, b f, by My Swanee—Yarn Spinner (H. Cooper), 8-3 M. Birch (7-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 fav Carlton Saint (4th), 8-1 Bay of Olles, 7-1 Lorella. 6 ran.

TOTE: Win, 83p; places, 58p, 27p; forecast, £3.55. W. Atkinson, at Carlisle. 1l, 1½l.

8.5 (8.10) WASTWATER STAKES (2-y-o: £516: 5f)

Pets First, b c, by Mummy's Pet—Cawkwell Lady (J. Hardy), 9-0 ...... C. Moss (6-1) 1
Romany Charter, ch c, by Runnymede—My Gipsy Moth (R. Peacock), 9-0 L. G. Brown (9-4 fav) 2
Easby Saint, b f, by Saintly Song—Memoire Cheri (Mrs W. Blow), 8-11 ...... M. Birch (14-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-2 Kathie of Braganza, 13-2 Right Beauty (4th), 7-1 Blacquay, Likely Boy, 10-1 Danbury Pongee, Aintree Boy, 12-1 Balm, 14-1 Nice Ice, 20-1 Chadville, Ebnalben, Johanne. 14 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.01; places, 38p, 21p, 38p. J. Hardy, at Staunton. Head, 4l.

8.35 (8.35) CRUMMOCK WATER HANDICAP (£329: 1½m: £500 added)

Baggin Time, b f, by Pinsun—Roy Chateau (G. Baillie), 4-8-12 E. Johnson (7-4 jt fav) 1
Triple, br h, by Alcide—Mistrip (J. Whitehouse), 5-7-12 K. Lewis (7-1) 2
Lords, b c, by Le Levanstell—Sticky Wicket (R. Sangster), 4-8-8 G. Cadwaladr (10-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-4 jt fav Master Ch[illegible], 14-1 Showman's Fair (4th). 5 ran.

TOTE: Win, 22p; dual forecast, [illegible]. T. Fairhurst, at Middleham. 1½l, h[d].

9.0 (9.4) ENNERDALE WATER PL[ATE] (3-y-o: £511: 1m 1f 80yd)

True Word, b g, by Blakeney—Gospel Truth (J. Dunlop), 8-9 D. Gillespie (5-6 fav) 1
Prince Purnani, ch c, by Dike—Capus (K. Gurlajani), 9-0 S. Perks (14-1) 2
Provident, ch c, by Song—Once for All (E. Smith), 9-0 J. Seagrave (10-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 11-2 Ashingora, Dunky (4th), 10-1 Carmoni, Que[illegible], Red Marshall, 14-1 Sky Glow, [illegible] Easter, 20-1 Spring Finn, 33-1 R[illegible] Mist, 33-1 Viborhi, Belle of Morle[y], Jahala, Philmarnie. 15 ran.

TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 17p, [illegible] 33p. J. Dunlop, at Arundel. 1l, 2½.

DAILY DOUBLE: Uncle John, Bag[gin] Time, £15.45. TREBLE: Double Se[ven], Pets First, True Word, £170.23.

Yachting

Crebbin in control then fog takes over in Finn race

By John Nicholls

For the second time this week adverse weather ruined racing at the Dunhill Weymouth Olympic Week and this time the culprit was thick sea fog. It was impossible to race on two of the three courses, and only the 470s and Finns had a race of sorts. Even for them, visibility was only a few yards at times and many competitors became hopelessly lost.

The 470s were the least affected, for a short time all three marks of the course were visible and the competitors were able literally to get their bearings. But halfway through the first round of the Finn race, the fog came down and few boats found the gybe mark at the first attempt.

Many competitors claimed that the race was unfair, and later a protest was lodged against the race committee. After hearing evidence from competitors and observers, the International jury upheld the protest on the grounds that "visibility on the reach of the Finn course was so poor as to affect the fairness of the competition", and the race was declared void.

It is not often that a helmsman dominates an Olympic class to the extent that Phillip Crebbin has in the 470s this week. Yesterday he achieved his fourth win in succession, and has as safe a lead on points as a man can have with two races still to go.

470 fifth race: 1, P. Crebbin; 2, W. Smith; 3, J. Saltonstall; 4, W. Richier (FG); 5, J.-L. Guyader (France); 6, J. Caig. Overall (with discard): Crebbin, 0; Guyader, 24.3 pts; N. Martin, 27.7 pts; Richier, 35.7 pts; E. Owen, 48.7 pts; M. Fontaine (France), 57 pts.

Motor racing

Ferrari team may not find life so easy in Sweden

By John Blunsden

After two consecutive victories by Niki Lauda and his Ferrari 312T in Monaco and Belgium, the Italian team have their tails up this week as they head for Anderstorp, in southern Sweden, for the seventh of this year's 15 world championship Grand Prix races.

But life may not be quite so easy for them this weekend on the 2.49 miles Scandinavian Raceway, a circuit formed from an aircraft runway, a chicane and a tortuous section comprising eight corners and five short straights, all of it on land which was once a swamp.

When the Swedish Grand Prix was first held there two years ago the lone Ferrari finished down in sixth place. Last year the team entered two cars, and both retired, and last month Lauda crashed team-mate Regazzoni's car during a test session at the circuit, after seeing his earlier best time beaten by Jarier in one of the UOP Shadow-Fords.

No one, however, came within a second of the time of 1min 24.758sec set during practice last year by Depailler, whose Elf-Tyrrell Ford sat on pole position alongside Scheckter's identical car, and went on to finish a close second to it in the race. Another Tyrrell, one-two on Sunday is on the cards, but Scheckter has gone on record as saying he thinks they will not have the advantage over the opposition which they enjoyed in 1974. It all points towards a very open race, notwithstanding the recent domination by Ferrari.

The Grand Prix will be staged over 80 laps to give a race distance of a fraction under 200 miles. The regular driver line-up is being augmented on this occasion by the local driver, Torsten Palm, who will be driving the spare Hesketh which he failed to qualify for the depleted starting grid at Monaco last month. Palm's backers, Polar Caravans, of Lapland, are also the sponsors of the race.

The return of the Japanese Maki, which had been expected in Belgium, has been further deferred, and the Ensign will also miss its second Grand Prix in succession while Wunderink recovers from injuries received in a Formula 5000 race in his native Holland, but Andretti will be back in action again with the Parnelli-Ford, having missed the Belgian race in order to compete at Indianapolis.

The line-up at Anderstorp on Sunday, therefore, should read: two Ferraris (Lauda and Regazzoni), two Tyrrells (Scheckter and Depailler), two Shadows (Pryce and Jarier), two McLarens (Fittipaldi and Mass), two Marches (Brambilla and Lombardi), two Hills (Brise and Schuppan), two Brabhams (Pace and Reutemann), two Lotuses (Peterson and Ickx), two Williams (Merzario and Ian Scheckter), three Hesketh (Hunt, Palm and Jones in his independent car), and one each of Surtees (Watson), BRM (Evans), Parnelli (Andretti), Penske (Donohue), and Copersucar (W. Fittipaldi).

Meanwhile, the battle for the world championship is so close after six races that any one of four drivers could have taken Lauda's place at the top of the table by Sunday evening. Current world championship positions are as follows:

DRIVERS: Lauda, 23 pts; Fittipaldi, 21; Pace and Reutemann, 16; Scheckter, 15; Depailler, 11; Mass, 10½; Regazzoni, 8; Hunt, 7; Ickx and Peterson, 3; Jarier, 1½; Brambilla and Pryce, 1; Lombardi, ½.

CONSTRUCTORS: Brabham-Ford, 29 pts; McLaren-Ford, 26½; Ferrari, 26; Tyrrell-Ford, 19; Hesketh-Ford, 7; Lotus-Ford, 6; Shadow-Ford, 2½; March-Ford, 1.

Show jumping

Smith sees his way clear to a Cornish double

By Pamela MacGregor-Morris

Harvey Smith, who took the lion's share of the spoils home to Yorkshire from the Royal Cornwall Show last year, which he was visiting for the first time, qualified three horses for the 12-horse final of the Everest Double Glazing Stakes and eventually filled the first two places yesterday.

Victory went to the German-bred Salvador, the most prolific national winner of 1974, with a second clear round in 40.2 sec. Runner-up was the young Yorkshire-bred Olympic Star, in 41.5 sec. This horse, who is out of a Clydesdale mare, is what might be termed a Trevor Banks speciality, and his owner was here to see him jump.

Rowland Fernyhough put up the fastest time of the day, 40.0 sec on Brother Dominic, the winner [of] last Saturday's Babycham G[old] Cup. But he was robbed of [his] reward at the penultimate fe[nce] of upright poles.

The clash with the South [of] England Show has rebounded [to] the advantage of the Royal Co[rn]wall. Included among the fi[nalists] are three members of the Broo[me] family—Frederick, Mary and Eli[za]beth Edgar—though David is co[m]peting in Hamburg. Alan Oliv[er], Tony Newbery and Deborah Jo[hn]sey have ensured, however, t[hat] money is harder to win here t[han] in Sussex.

EVEREST DOUBLE GLAZ[ING] STAKES: 1 and 2, H. Smi[th's] Salvador and Olympic Star; 3, Miss Chapman's Beetle Lady.

A. J. BEAL-JAGUAR STAKES: 1, Fernyhough's Automatic; 2, Mrs Edgar's M. Rochas; 3, Miss D. Johnse[y's] Croupier.

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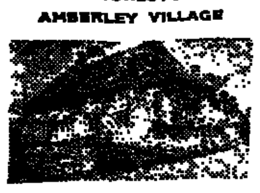
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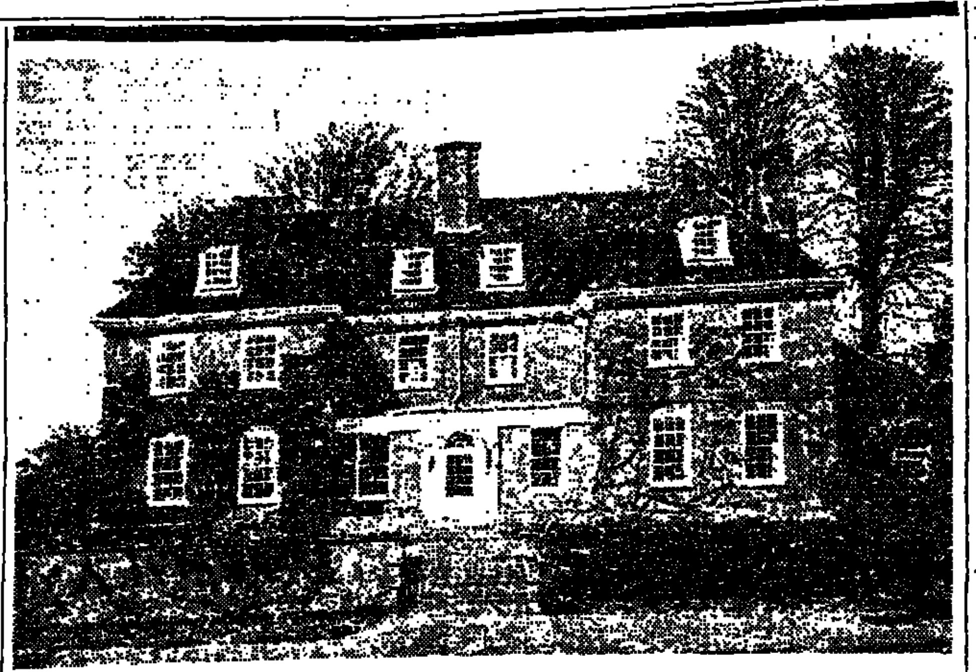
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Furlong House, Hurstpierpoint, a former rectory.

Residential property

Homes of clergy are popular

England's ecclesiastical heritage has left not only cathedrals and parish churches for the worship of God but a range of fine buildings for the more worldly needs of the servants of the church, from the prelate's palaces to the rector's lodge.

Even minor church dignitaries were men of property in the past, and the agents have not been slow in advertising prebendaries' houses, vicarages and churchwardens' cottages. As humble a nineteenth-century clergyman as Trollope's the Rev Josiah Crawley would now find his poverty-stricken house at Hogglestock fetching a tidy sum.

In recent weeks Humbert, Flint, Rawlence and Squarey have offered for £87,500 a Sussex property that belonged to a more prosperous cleric. Furlong House, at Hurstpierpoint, was built in 1905 as a rectory in "Georgian style". It has eight bedrooms, three reception rooms and large kitchen wing, with swimming pool and tennis court.

The house is surrounded by two acres and a half of lawns, hedges and shrubs, which seem to have a peaceful air about them, just right for the future purchaser if he should be a writer of sermons.

The same agents have two other ecclesiastical properties, which show how the house buyer had benefited in some areas from dwindling church *congregations and the later* "rationalization" of parishes. Through them the Salisbury diocesan authorities are asking £22,000 for a five-bedroom vicarage at Melplash, near Bridport, Dorset. The building with an acre of garden and orchard will henceforth be called the "Old Vicarage", as the centre of the parish has now moved elsewhere.

The Church Commissioners have *placed another former* Georgian rectory on the market with the same agents. This large building in the village of Whitchurch Canonicorum, Dorset, is in need of modernization and improvement. The asking price is £28,000.

The religious associations of property make a good selling point, to gauge from most agents' brochures. At present a favourite name, in a list that includes a property with the disastrous title of Chambolle, is "pilgrims'". Messenger, May Baverstock are offering Pilgrims Way Cottage at Puttenham, near Guildford, for £30,000. It is a fine looking cottage with tall gable-end chimneys, its varied styles of brickwork set off by climbing ivy. It has four bedrooms, large dining room and gas central heating.

The church connexions of The Old Rose and Crown at Church End, Braughing, near Ware, Hertfordshire, might seem remote. As its name suggests, it was a public house until the end of the last century. However, as a public house—which according to a provision in its deeds it can no longer be—it served thirsty pilgrims on a route near by to Bishop's Waltham and Stortford. The agents for this listed grade A building, Sworder, Jennings, invite offers for its freehold. It has five bedrooms, two bathrooms and is within commuting dist*ance of London.*

Among other properties available is an interesting converted Martello tower at Hythe, Kent. Jackson-Stops and Staff are hoping for about £30,000 for this circular stout-walled building. It is not as high as some of the remaining Martello towers along the south-east coast, originally built to keep out Napoleon, but the agents are enthusiastic about the fifty-year-old conversion of its interior.

It has four bedrooms, three reception rooms, kitchens and a fully equipped bar. The tower has a sun room on the roof and a decorative cannon *in the garden. There has been* controversy over the derivation of the name of the Martello towers. The agents are quite firm that the name derives from a circular fortress at Cap Mortella in Corsica which withstood bombardment from the Royal Navy in 1794.

Farther afield, Hepper, Watson and Sons have a property for the angling enthusiast in Yorkshire, at an unspecified price. Low Mill, near Grassington, lies alongside the Wharfe. It had a lot of attention from its present owner and the agents are emphasizing the style of the conversion.

The house has four bedrooms and a large *sitting room* surmounted by the old beams ceiling. A balcony extends from the house over the river. In fact, the agents hint that some negotiation with the local anglers over fishing rights might be needed, although they have expressed their readiness to admit the new owner of the property.

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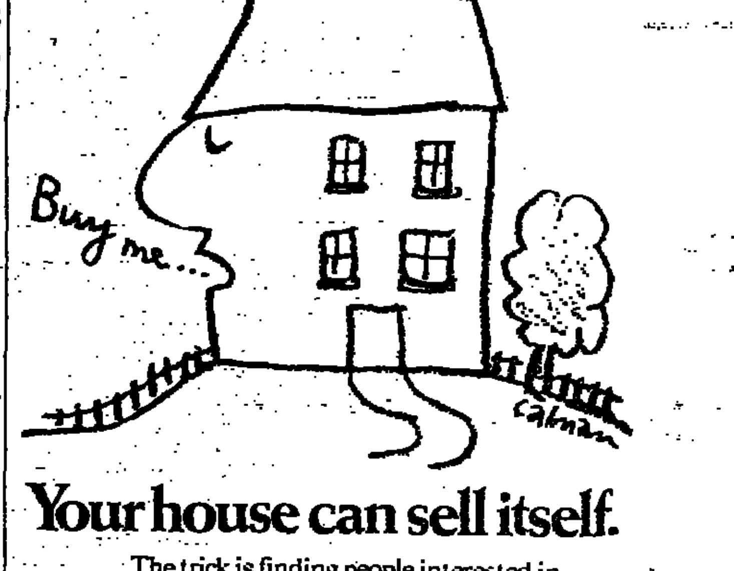
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